Lebanon's War Plans Doubted

By DENNIS NEELD
Associated Press Writer

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Lebanon's emotional politicians and editorial writers say their country's virtual neutrality in the Arab-Israeli conflict perished in the flames at Beirut International Airport last Saturday night.

But Lebanons shrewd merchants, whose Phoenician forebears were trading with the world before Christ was born, and experienced diplomatic observers expect no change in the Beirut government's policy of lip service to the Arab cause but little else.

Not since 1948, when the state of Israel was established, has Lebanon taken an active part in the Arab confrontation with the Jews next door.

Rarely has there been violence along Lebanon's hilly frontier with Israel, and former Foreign Minister Fouad Boutros recently admitted that security measures had been taken to prevent Palestinian guerrillas using the country as a base for raids into Israel.

Because nearly half of Lebanon's 2.5 million people are Arab Moslems, the government finds it necessary to give vocal support to the other Arab nations. But in the 1956 and 1967 Arab wars with Israel, Lebanon played no part. Last year during the war its troops were withdrawn from the frontier to protect Beirut's Jewish minority. An Israeli warplane crashed in Lebanese territory, and this was hailed as a tremendous triumph. But the Syrians shot the plane down.

Economically, Lebanon benefited from Israel's creation. Before 1948 the Palestinian port of Haifa handled much of the entrepot trade with the Arab world. When Haifa became part of Israel, Beirut took over the business.

With half of its population Christians and many of them pro-Western, the Lebanese government rarely has seen eye to eye with other Arab countries. It refused in 1958 to join either the United Arab Republic of Egypt and Syria or the equally short-lived federation of Jordan and Iraq. That same year it called in U.S. Marines to put down an insurrection inspired by Egypt.

Lebanon and Syria still haggle bitterly over transit charges.

After 20 years of such an ambiguous policy toward Israel, the destructive Israeli attack came as a stunning shock. It may cause internal problems, spurring the Moslem Lebanese to demand active alignment with the militant Arab governments.

The Lebanese parliament met in secret session Monday night to debate the situation. There have been vociferous demands by legislators for a strengthening of the country's defense.

But perhaps significantly a communique issued by the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine Monday night bore an Amman, Jordan, dateline.

The Front is the Arab guerrilla organization whose attack on an Israeli airliner at Athens last Thursday prompted the Israeli raid on the Beirut airport. Israel claims the Front has its headquarters in Beirut. The Lebanese government has denied this, but previous announcements from the Front were issued here.

Premier Abdullah Yafi told newsmen the Israeli commando raid and Israel's threat of further reprisals would have no effect on Lebanon's policy toward the Arab guerrillas. When government officials were asked to explain what this policy has been, they replied: "That is for you to interpret."



CEREMONIAL COSTUME and fan are important parts of traditional dance being performed by Princess Norodom Buppha Devi, daughter of Cambodia's chief of state, Prince Sihanouk. The princess danced in a festival at Phnom Penh.

Cabinet Split on Vietnam Is Denied

WASHINGTON (AP) — Special presidential assistant Walt W. Rostow has sharply denied reports of Vietnam policy differences between key Cabinet members and says he expects no U.S. troop withdrawals until Hanoi is ready to negotiate them.

Rostow Sunday called reports of differences between Secretary of State Dean Rusk and Secretary of Defense Clark M. Clifford a "rather strained effort of the press . . . to pump up the war between the members of the Cabinet."

He also said the United States has made clear its willingness to negotiate withdrawal of U.S. and North Vietnam troops from South Vietnam but that Hanoi has not responded.

Rostow said he believes there is no plan by President Johnson to reduce the U.S. troop level in Vietnam before he leaves office Jan. 20.

Rostow was interviewed on CBS' "Face the Nation."

But Sen. George S. McGovern, D-S.D., said he believes there are differences between Rusk and Clifford—and said U.S. troop withdrawals should begin immediately to reduce the level of war deaths.

McGovern appeared on NBC's "Meet the Press."

1968 Busy, Tough Year for Labor

By NEIL GILBRIDE
AP Labor Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) Politicking, picketing, prices and pay hikes gave organized labor its busiest and toughest year in more than a decade in 1968, and union leaders foresee an even tougher new year.

"We expect unemployment, we expect a recession and we expect antiunion legislation," said a glum AFL-CIO spokesman after labor's political hopes went down to defeat with Democratic presidential candidate Hubert Humphrey.

"Relations between the American labor movement and the president-elect of the United States, Richard M. Nixon, are just about as bad as they could be," said the big AFL-CIO Machinists' union.

While pumping an estimated $5 million into one of their most disastrous political ventures in 1968, labor unions did have a banner year at the bargaining table in winning pay hikes for their members.

The government estimated that 3.4 million workers covered by major collective bargaining agreements won an average 6.6 per cent a year in increased wages and benefits, probably the highest since the catch-up surge of wage hikes after Korean War wage-price controls were lifted in 1953.

Employment was at an all-time high, averaging some 75 million during the year, and unemployment averaged under three million for a 3.6 per cent national jobless rate, lowest in 15 years.

But for the average wage earner it was still a tough battle to keep paychecks ahead of the sharpest rise in living costs in some 17 years.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics said prices of typical family needs—food, clothing, housing, transportation, medical care and recreation—rose an average of 4 per cent or more during the year.

That was the highest since the 8 per cent climb in price in 1951 before Korean War controls were imposed.

The pressure of price hikes and high employment fed militant union demands for higher pay, resulting in strikes that halted more production than in million strikers lost total of more than 35 million mandays working time, the government said.

Major walkouts included the first nationwide telephone strike in 21 years, ending after 18 days with a three-year hike of nearly 20 per cent in wages and benefits for some 400,000 workers. The strike dragged on three more months in Illinois, hampering communications during the Democratic National Convention in Chicago. Taxi and transit strikes in Chicago also added to the convention melee.

Another monumental strike involved some 60,000 copper industry workers in an eight-month walkout carried over from 1967, longest in history, that shut down virtually all U.S. copper production. It finally petered out with 40-month contract settlements providing $1.13 per hour in wage and benefits increases for most of the men.

The steel industry avoided a strike in signing a new three-year contract providing increases of about $1 per hour for 450,000 steelworkers, highest in history.

A 51-day strike by 50,000 glass workers created a shortage of bottles for whisky and pharmaceuticals.

There was also a continued rash of walkouts in the increasingly militant sector of public employes—teachers, police, firemen, garbagemen and other city, county and state employes.

26 Die in Australian Airliner

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — A chartered Australian airliner crashed in northwest Australia today, and all 26 persons aboard were believed dead.

The pilot of a small plane reported he sighted the wreckage of the Viscount and saw no sign of any survivors. He said the burned wreckage was scattered over a wide area.

The plane, with 21 passengers and a crew of fiven was on a flight from Perth the capital of Western Australia, to Port Hedland, 800 miles to the north on the northwest coast. It crashed 15 miles south of Port Hedland.

The plane was operated by the Australian airline Ansett-Ana.

Here's the Shape of Things to Come in World During 1969

By WILLIAM L. RYAN
AP Special Correspondent

Looking forward to 1969? If you are, you probably qualify as an incurable optimist.

On the threshold of a new year, the shape of Mother Earth looks something like this:

Asia

The Vietnam war goes on and on, despite seven months of talks in Paris. Dead on both sides since the American phase began in 1961 now total well over a half million by U.S. reckoning; more than 30,000 were Americans. The talks are bogged down in procedural wrangling over such matters as the shape of the negotiating table.

Hopes for peace in Southeast Asia are complicated by fears of what the peace may bring to other nations in the area. Might an American withdrawal from Asia's mainland bring more uprisings, more guerrilla war, even more instability?

Communist China, the enormous fact of Asian life with its 700 million restive people, has emerged as a nuclear power to be reckoned with, having just achieved its eighth nuclear explosion. It is a source of worry not only to the United States as a Pacific power, but to Peking's one-time ally, the Soviet Union, whose border with China is the world's longest. What happens in China in the immediate future is also of primary concern to all its Asian neighbors, including the Indian subcontinent upon whose frontiers the Chinese apply frequent pressure.

Korea remains a potential time bomb. Communist North Korea is stepping up warlike activities against South Korea. Whether this means a new North Korean military thrust against the South while the United States is involved in Vietnam is anybody's guess, but the Korean peninsula could easily emerge as the world's next explosive spot.

Middle East

The story continues to be one of never-ending tension, aggravated by the fact that Israel, nestled in a sea of 30 million Arab enemies, occupies Arab territory taken in the lightning war of June 1967. Arab armies and Arab terrorists train and hope for the day when they will exact their venreance. Israel has just demonstrated —with a massive raid on Beirut International Airport that she intends to respond to terror with punishing terror of her own.

The Middle East situation is complicated by Soviet-American rivalries in the Mediterranean area, and the complication is further compounded by sensitive political situations in Eastern Europe. Though both Soviet and American leaders' gestures testify to an eagerness to keep the lid on a Middle East eruption, the tensions are such that it could blow up at any time.

Africa

The major concern in Africa for a watching world at the moment is Nigeria and its civil war which threatens to exterminate secessionist Biafra through a combination of military punishment and starvation. Big-power rivalries help confuse the issue and render more difficult any search for a way outm The rest of the African continent, with most of its people only recently independent, is full of built-in tensions such as those engendered by race problems in South Africa and Rhodesia and by colonial problems in areas like Angola, still held by Portugal.

Europe

Eastern Europe, historically a kettle for brewing conflict, once again provides a major source of worry springing from the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia last August to snuff out a reform movement. The backlash of this generated tension in Yugoslavia, whose maverick Communist regime skittishly eyes the Soviet Union for signs of her intentions. Romania, too, eyes the Russians, wondering when —or if— they will demand the right to station troops there.

The Czechoslovak episode laid down a new set of rules for Europe so far as Moscow was concerned, Eastern Europe, it has said in effect, is its private sphere where it will tolerate no hint of Western interference. Communist-ruled nations have been told, by the so-called "Brezhnev Doctrine" enunciated by Moscow's party chief, that the Kremlin calls the tune on the cultural, economic and political development of European nations under Communist regimes.

Czechoslovakia is the western-most Communist nation in Europe. Its borders touch West Germany and Austria, a fact which gives added weight to persistent Soviet complaints and veiled threats about the West Germans. West German participation in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization thus remains a center of tension for Europe and for Soviet-American relations. The status of West Berlin, isolated 110 miles inside East Germany, continues to be a potential center of crisis.

The Soviet attitudes toward Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Romania and Europe in general have impelled the NATO members to look to their organization for defense, dampening hopes held by many not long ago that the cold war might fade away.

The Americas

Latin America has been shaken by such events as a recent upheaval in Brazil and a military coup in Peru. Brazil has gone through a bloodless revolution and that largest of Latin-American nations is being run openly by a military-backed government. Its constitution has been virtually abolished. Peru has just been through a convulsion which has placed it under the control of a military junta.

Cuba's Communist regime has been relatively quiet of late so far as fomenting rebellion elsewhere in the region has been concerned, though it continues to propagandize the threat.

These are only a few of the world's worries as the world enters 1969. Hardly a nation, from the most powerful to the most humble, is without its uproar. The United States, with a new administration taking the helm, is preoccupied with a wide variety of troubles: civil rights, unruly student movements, slums, pollution and involvement in the Vietnam war, with all the peripheral political and economic trouble that engenders. The Soviet Union is having considerable trouble with its intellectuals and its younger generation, aggravated by the Czechoslovak events. France faces a prospect of a new round of uproar like that of last May when a student and labor uprising all but paralyzed the country.

There probably is a brighter side in all this. There is a chance, for example, that the Vietnam war will be at least scaled down. There is a chance of Soviet-American cooperation toward lessening the major threats in some areas at least. And man has demonstrated, through the space explorations of the two great powers, that his ambition can at times transcend incessant terrestial wrangling.

But over all, the portents for 1969 do not appear to be particularly bright.

Obituaries

MRS. GRACE GRAY HALTOM

Mrs. Grace Gray Haltom, 56, died Monday afternoon in a local hospital.

Survivors include her husband, Alston; two brothers, Jack H. Gray of Little Rock and B. T. Gray of Millersburg, Ohio; three sisters, Mrs. Robert G. White of Denver, Mrs. Monroe Yoder and Mrs. Richard Reeder of Millersburg, Ohio.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, 2 p.m. in Herndon Chapel with Rev. Everett Vinson officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens with Herndon Funeral Home in charge.

MRS. OPAL PEDRON

Mrs. Opal Pedron, 57, died early this morning in a local hospital. Survivors include one son, Adrin Pedron, Little Rock; one brother, O.L. Jones, Sinnipport, La; one sister, Mrs. Aline Alton, Cedarville, Texas and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, 3 p.m. in Walnut Street Church of Christ with the Rev. M.H. Peebles officiating. Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery by Herndon Funeral Home.

1969's START
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movies. The main thing is— let joy be unconfined."

Of course, at the start of your program many guests will think it is only a gag. But by 12:05 a.m. they will be only too aware that it is going according to plan, and quietly tiptoe home while you and your wife are still humming on your pocket combs.

By 12:15 a.m. you and your wife can feed the cat and go to bed, exhilarated by the smug knowledge that you have thrown a New Year's Eve party that will live forever in the memory of those who attended it.

They may not remember it with utter gratitude— but at least they all will have gotten home from it alive.

Steel Weak Spot in 1968 Business

By Jack Sholl
Associated Press Writer

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The threat of a labor strike and increased foreign imports dimmed what would have been a bright year for the steel industry in 1968.

Analysts had predicted the industry would pour 130 million tons but quickly revised their forecasts in midyear to 126 million. The tonnage equals 1967 production but comes nowhere near the record 134.1 million in 1966.

Production took a drastic nose dive after the July contract settlement with the United Steelworkers. The drop in orders was caused by customers who stockpiled inventories to see them through a strike. September steel shipments fell to their lowest monthly total in six years.

But the strike never came and the industry started recovering in november, averaging some two million tons a week. And forecasters expect at least a healthy first quarter in 1969.

Producers may have been crying the blues over strike-hedge buying, but they really had some reason to smile.

The industry churned out 111 million tons during the first 10 months of the year. That was about seven million tons over the same period in 1967—a year marked by production-curtailing snowstorms and a two-month-long steel haulers' strike.

Third-quarter profits of almost $715 million and revenues of close to $15 billion were slightly higher than the first nine months of 1967.

And the industry went ahead and set a new record for capital spending. It spent $2.3 billion for improvements in 1968—$19 million more than 1967.

The last half of 1968 turned into a vicious buyers' market and steel prices went topsy-turvy. There were rumors of under-the-counter price cutting almost immediately after the $1 billion labor contract. The industry compromised on a 2.4 per cent price increase on half its production to give steelworkers the approximately 90 cents an hour wage hike it said it couldn't afford.

Bethlehem Steel, the nation's No. 2 producer, shocked the industry late in the year with a 22 per cent rollback on the price of hot rolled carbon sheet, the industry's basic product for autos and construction. The move was followed by other companies, including giant U.S Steel Corp., No. 1.

What appeared to be a simple, industrywide price cut, however, later failed to stand and the situation became more complex.

U.S. Steel said it was cancelling its price cut and restoring hot rolled sheet to the former price of $125 a ton. Bethlehem marked time a few days then said it also was going up on hot rolled sheet, but only to $117 a ton, or $8 less than U.S. Steel.

As other producers began following Bethlehem, U.S. Steel said it wouldn't put its new and higher price into effect as scheduled. The company said it wanted to wait for "further clarification of the competitive situation."

Although no one would come out and say why prices originally were cut, soaring foreign competition appeared to be the target.

Foreign imports were expected to peak over the 17 million mark in 1968, taking 13 per cent of the domestic market.

It's the last few tons that actually make the profit for the huge mills. And trade sources said foreign importers were edging domestic producers out of a critical portion of the market.

The price cut put domestic steel on the same level as foreign steel, estimated about $20 to $25 a ton lower.

An industry drive for some sort of import quota can be expected in 1969.

"I do know they intend to push Congress when it convenes to get quotas passed," one industry source said. "They say they're confident they'll get them."

President-elect Nixon has said he's in favor of some type of limitation on excessive steel imports.

A new head of the 1.2 million-member United Steelworkers Union will be voted into office Feb. 11. But since the steelworkers just settled on a new three-year contract, it's doubtful whether a change in leadership would have an immediate impact on industry.

Emil Narick, a labor lawyer who is seeking to run against incumbent president I.W. Abel, has said he would re-examine the steelworkers' ties with the AFL-CIO.

Industry labor costs went up but the number of employes went down during 1968. Costs amounted to almost $3.9 billion for the first three quarters, up from almost $3.5 billion for the first three quarters of 1967.

The number of workers in the basic steel industry dropped from 549,926 to 520,635 in the year between September 1967 and September 1968. Industry sources say this resulted from seasonal layoffs and slack production due to the threatened strike.

The industry appears uncertain about what may happen in 1969. Most observers think production will go up at the beginning of the year. But they don't know how long demand will last.

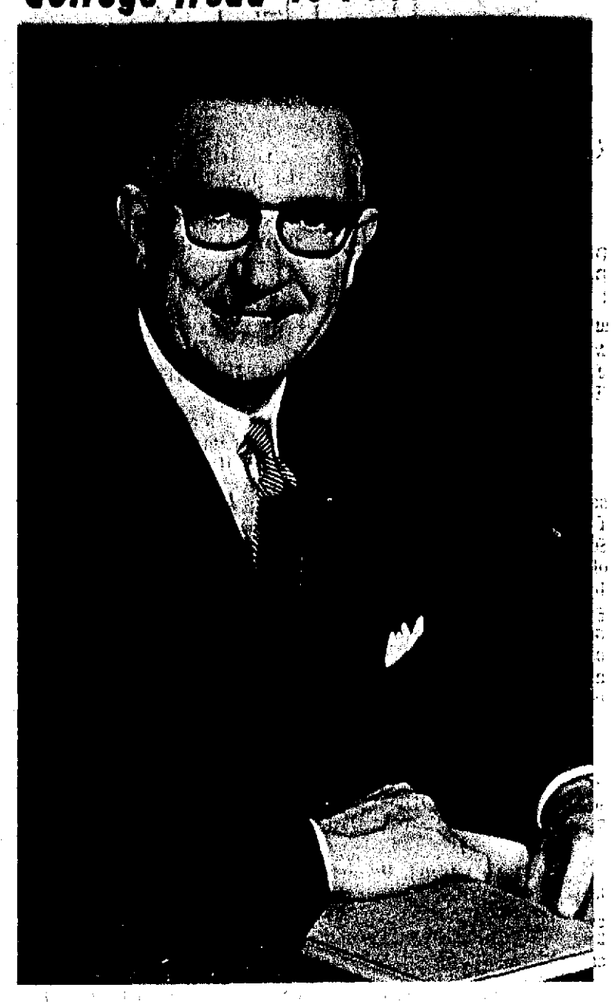
A Steel magazine survey of leading producers predicts production will drop to 120 million tons in 1969. The magazine says a fall in the gross national product during the first half of the year may be responsible.

But a research economist says the industry will perform better in 1969 than most forecasters are willing to concede.

Paul C. Harmon of Armco Steel Corp. says domestic steel demand will rise by gains in the construction, railroad, and appliance and furniture industries.

And he says there are several forces at work that may reduce the oncoming tide of imports: the absence of strike-hedge buying, the use of more foreign steel at home because of expanding economies, and possible governmental restrictions.

College Head to Preach



J. ROBERT ASHCROFT

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. — J. Robert Ashcroft, president of Evangel College, will speak at the First Assembly of God church, 312 N. Main St., at 10:45 Sunday, Jan. 5, the Rev. Clifford C. Truitt, pastor, has announced.

Evangel College, an accredited four - year college of arts and sciences, is an Assemblies of God institution. It is in Springfield, Mo., international headquarters of the denomination.

President Ashcroft, Evangel's second president, has headed the college administration since 1958. Previously he served as national secretary of education for the Assemblies of God. He is an ordained minister of the denomination.

Commenting on today's youth, President Ashcroft says, "They are the space age people. They will be a part of the explosion in population, information, communication and transportation. Life is going to be vastly different for them, but the human values will be the same."

Milestones of President Ashcroft's administration at Evangel have included the launching of a building program and admission of the college to the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

The first three units of the campus development plan, a library, gymnasium, and women's residence hall, have been completed, and construction of a new men's residence is expected to start soon. Enrollment has grown from less than 100 in 1955, the college's first year, to 876.

Packard New Head at Pentagon

By FRED S. HOFFMAN
AP Military Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A multimillionaire industrialist has been picked to ramrod day-to-day operations at the Pentagon while Melvin R. Laird concerns himself as secretary of defense with "big picture" policy questions.

Previous indications by Laird and President-elect Nixon that this would be the case were underlined Monday with the naming of Californian David Packard as deputy secretary.

Introducing Packard to Washington newsmen, Laird, a Republican Congressman with little administrative experience, said the electronics executive will be "in position to complement me in those areas where we need strength in the next four years."

"We will have an outstanding administrator on our team," Laird said.

Packard, who will resign as board chairman of Hewlett-Packard Co. of Palo Alto, Calif., gives up nearly $1 million in income derived from the firm alone and $300 million in stock by entering government service.

The new job will pay $30,000 a year. But Packard said he will supplement this by some other income.

By picking a skilled administrator, Laird falls into the mold of current Secretary Clark M. Clifford, but differs vastly from Robert S. McNamara who was something of a one-man show.

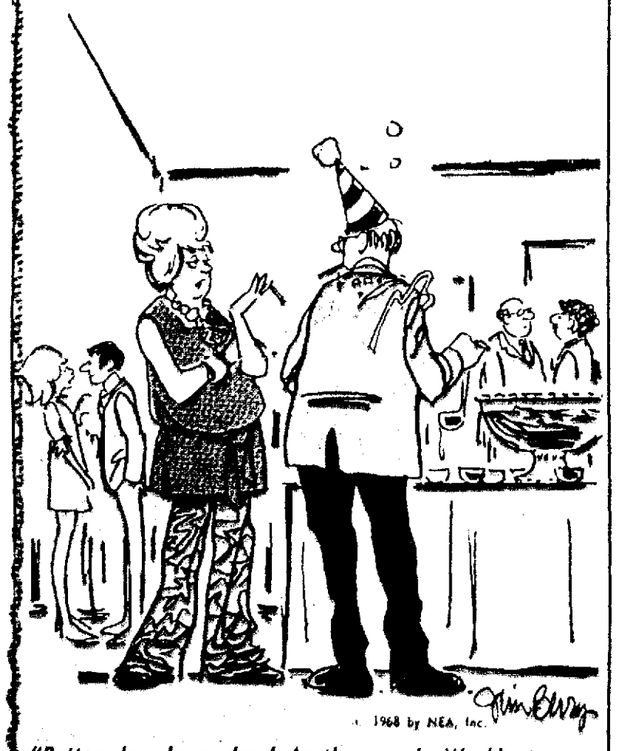
As a former Ford Motor Co. president, McNamara was fascinated with the mechanism of running the enormous defense establishment, with its 4.8 million uniformed and civilian personnel and its almost limitless facets.

Clifford is a lawyer by trade and, like Laird, had a blank background in administration.

So he has left many of the day-to-day details to his deputy, Paul H. Nitze, while he has devoted much of his energies and time to advising President Johnson on Vietnam and other major problems, including the increased Soviet menace in Central Europe.

When President-elect Nixon announced Laird as secretary of defense Dec. 11,

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Calendar of Events

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31

Country Club New Year's Dance will be held Tuesday, December 31 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Host couples are Mr. and Mrs. Monty Monts, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kellam, Dr. and Mrs. Jud Martindale and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Huff.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 1

—Easter is the Witness Season in the Presbyterian Chruch. The Witness Committee of the Session, under the chairmanship of Elder Haskell Jones is planning a series of Witness programs to be presented on the second fourth Wednesday nights of the season following a family night supper. Co-chairman of the committee is McRae Andrews.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2

Chapter 328, Order of the Eastern Star, will have a regular meeting Thursday, January 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Masonic Hall.

Weather permitting, the Senior Citizens will hold their regular meeting Thursday, January 2 at 1:30 p.m. in the new center on Texas street.

SATURDAY JANUARY 4

The Friday Music Club luncheon and opera listening program will be held Saturday, January 4 at 12 noon at the home of Mrs. Haskell Jones in Oakhaven. The meal will be potluck, and Grieg's "Song of Norway" will be the music heard. All members and associate members are invited.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be held at 11:00 a.m. in The First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, January 5.

DIANE ELLIS ENTERTAINED

On the day of her wedding to Hubert Lynn Barksdale, December 28, Miss Diane Ellis wore salmon pink knit with a white corsage at the bridesmaids luncheon in the Heritage House. Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Jack Caldwell, Mrs. Ray Allen of Texarkana, Miss Phala Brown and Mrs. Lyle Brown, both of Little Rock.

The guest list included Mrs. David Porter, Miss Jerry Nicholas, Mrs. H.A. Nicholas, Shreveport; Mrs. Claud Earl Lynch, Arkadelphia; Miss Kim Davey, Dallas; Miss Susan Johnson, Shawnee Mission, Kan.; Mrs. James Erwin, West Monroe, La.; Miss Cookie Jones, Mrs. Max Bruce, and the mothers of the wedding couple, Mrs. Hubert E. Barksdale of Pine Bluff and Mrs. Leonard Ellis.

ELLIS-BARKSDALE REHEARSAL DINNER

On Friday, December 27 at the Heritage House, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert E. Barksdale of Pine Bluff were hosts for the rehearsal dinner of the Ellis-Barksdale wedding party.

The bride-elect, Miss Diane Ellis, wore beige and brown moire trimmed in green and she pinned a white gardenia at her shoulder. Pink carnations, white stocks, and pink candles decorated the table where covers were laid for 30.

Miss Ellis and her fiance, Hubert Lynn Barksdale, chose their wedding attendents.

FETTED WITH COFFEE

Before Miss Wanda Fern Dixon became the bride of Leo Patrick Henry December 26, she was feted with a coffee on Christmas Eve. Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. J.T. Bowden and Miss Marcia Bowden of Santa Clara, Calif.

The holiday theme of holly and candles were repeated in various settings in the Bowden home. Guests were served a dessert plate from the gaily decorated table.

Included in the guests were Mrs. Jimmy Branch, Mineola, Tex.; Mrs. Hal Branch, Dallas; Mrs. Dale Flowers, Mrs. Franklin Horton, and Mrs. Hollis Dixon, mother of the honoree.

HOLIDAY DANCE

The Hope Country Club was the scene of a holiday dance Saturday, December 28 for high school and college students. Music was provided by the "Zonks," and about 100 young people attended.

Candles, greenery, and gold balls decorated the mantle, and on the serving table the red cloth was centered with red and white camellias. The refreshments were dips 'n' chips, punch and cookies.

Out-of-town guests were Barbara Tipton, St. Louis, and Billy Stroope, Texarkana. Mr. and Mrs. John B. Gardner, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Young, Jr. chaperoned the occasion.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Honea, Little Rock, are the parents of a daughter, their first born child, born December 23. She weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and has been named Kristen Grace. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Honea of Little Rock and Mayton Prather of Hope. Mrs. Ross Copeland of Hope is the paternal great-grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Terry, Russellville, announce the arrival of a 7 pound 3 ounce son on December 13. He is their first child and has been named Scott Alan.

Coming, Going

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burtch, Orvil and Patsy spent Christmas in Ft. Worth with Mr. and Mrs. Dave Ernst.

Dr. and Mrs. Neil E. Crow, Kathy and Neil Ed., Ft. Smith, and Mrs. Lee Claxton, Little Rock, were Christmas Day guests of the F.C. Crows.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Pruden, Sidney, O., were holiday guests of the Jim Pruden family.

Miss Marcia Bowden, Santa Clara, Calif., spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Bowden.

Mr. and Mrs. James P. Vinson, Jimmy and Johnny, Clinton, Miss., spent Christmas with the Rev. and Mrs. Everett Vinson, Sarah and Suzie.

Mrs. Warren Basye and Kent, Houston, have returned home after being here for Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. B.N. Holt.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. Clinton Jones and family, of Fayetteville, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.P. Jones of Patmos. They left for New Orleans Sunday where they will see the Sugar Bowl Game.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Cox over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wylie and Libby of Little Rock, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Faulkner, Phil, Brianne, and Lisa of Pine Bluff, Mr. and Mrs. Chet Heusley of Malvern, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Cox of Shreveport, La., Mr. and Mrs. John Copeland, Kay and Ed of Minden, La., and Mrs. Bess Moss of Texarkana.

Mrs. Glen Fincher and son of Benton, visited Mr. and Mrs. Minor May and family in Dallas and attended the funeral of T.B. Askew, which was held Thursday.

David, Michael, and Todd Sutton, Fayetteville, are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sutton.

Raley's STYLE SHOPPE

Fashion Column

By: VIRGINIA HARWELL

The After Christmas Sale at Raley's Style Shoppe is something to really open a lady's eyes —to fashion. Prices are at their lowest, and style is at its height, a combination which is hard to resist.

Many suits and dresses, by such famous names as Donovan Galvanti, Jeanne Durrell, Lilgion Knits, Jon McCauley, Jack Mann, and Jonathan Logan are now at half price. Rainwear, corduroy car coats, blouses, sweaters, and skirts have also become eye-opening bargains. Need a new hat? Millinery is on sale at half the regular price. Jewelry, wallets, and textured hose? Also half price. Lingerie, a must for any girl, now costs one third less than the regular price.

With all these eye-openers, it is easy to see that now is the right time to re-stock the needy wardrobe. Raley's offers these bargains to "old" customers in appreciation for their patronage —to new customers as an opportunity to come in and get acquainted. The staff at Raley's would like to wish a very happy New Year to their many customers, with thanks for making the past years such pleasant ones.

SHOWBEAT



By DICK KLEINER
West Coast Correspondent

HOLLYWOOD — (NEA) — Liza Minelli was worried.

"I've gained three pounds," she said, "and I have to lose it all by Friday. On Friday, I take my clothes off again."

She's making a film called "The Sterile Cuckoo" (which must be a distant cousin of "The Barren Heron"), and it's a tale of collegiate love. It's from a novel by John Nichols, and Liza read it and felt strangely drawn to the heroine—Pookie Adams. Simultaneously, producer Alan Pakula read it and decided to buy it. When Liza asked for the part, Pakula thought she would be right for it, too.

"I understand Pookie," says Liza. "To most people, she's a surprising girl, and everything she does seems to have a strange sense of timing. Yet, as I read the book, she didn't surprise me at all—I anticipated everything she was going to do.

"I guess maybe I'm a surprising girl, too."

I guess maybe she's right. Liza, Judy Garland's daughter, is something of a surprise. She has surprised Pakula, who is making his directoral debut with "The Sterile Cuckoo" (which must be a distant cousin of "The Fallow Swallow").

"I'm ecstatic over Liza's inventiveness," Pakula says. "She's spoiling me in my first picture. Take the scene we're doing here. I'll shoot it three ways, with her doing three different shades of anger. Then I'll pick the best one."

The scene was a small one, set inside and outside her boy friend's dormitory room. The set is a duplicate of the real thing the company filmed on location at Hamilton College in upstate New York.

Inside, the leading man—or leading boy, really—was working at his desk. Wendell Burton, a 21-year-old with the face of a mischievous cherub, plays Jerry.

Outside, sleeping on the lawn beneath Jerry's window was Liza. It was a good, funny, bittersweet scene, and Liza did, indeed, give it three different readings.

Burton, who came out of the San Francisco company of "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," is another Pakula-Mulligan discovery.

"No," Burton says, "I'm not related to Richard Burton—but I am related to Louis Burton."

Then he grinned his mischievous grin and said that Louis Burton was his uncle, a Douglas aircraft engineer.

"This is my first film experience," he said, "and, frankly, it's a lot different from what I expected. Like just sitting here—I thought I'd be working all the time. But I find that most of the day is spent just sitting. I spend many happy hours playing acey-deucy with the crew."

Obviously, Liza has a lot of free time, too. The inside of her dressing room is decorated with lipstick-applied graffiti—things like such unexplained bits as "Said the sailor to the girl" and "The yellow peril eating itself" and "Shut up, we're fighting light."

That's how it goes with "The Sterile Cuckoo" (which must be a distant cousin of "The Arid Parrot").

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Capt. and Mrs. Jack Lloyd and son returned to Ft. Benning, Ga., Monday after a Christmas visit with Mr. and Mrs. John Lloyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale McKinney came home Sunday from a vacation in Mobile, Ala., Pensacola, Fla., and Macon, Miss. In Pensacola on Christmas Eve, Mr. McKinney spoke at a waterfront mission on the topic "From Disgrace to Grace."

Barbara Tipton, St. Louis, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Glen Williams, and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Benson have had as holiday guest Mr and Mrs. John McGee and 3 daughters, Middletown, O.; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Benson and 3 children and Charles Benson, Dallas; and Susan and Chuck Benson, Little Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Mattox, Hot Springs, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Don Johnson and family.

Mrs. B.C. Hyatt's Yuletide guests included Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hyatt and family, Jonesboro; the Rev. and Mrs. Bob Hyatt and family, Longview, Tex.; and Stuart Spragins, Little Rock.

Dolores McBride has been spending the holidays with her family in Havana, Ark.

Television and Radio

By CYNTHIA LOWRY
AP Television-Radio Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — A program like NBC's two-hour treatment Monday night of the ferment in big-city slums by Negro minorities may have run into an audience problem by its meticulous, careful presentation.

On one hand, persons concerned about this aspect of urban crisis are well aware of the conditions which the long program painstakingly discussed and illustrated. They have been written about and many other television programs have told of them. Their audience must now be more interested in possible cures than in another report on symptoms. On the other hand, the public which is not informed on the subject by now probably would not sit still for such a lengthy and often painful lecture.

"The People are the City," one of a series of three "white papers," focused primarily on racial barriers and resulting tensions in Boston, whose population is about 10 per cent Negro. The program moved to other cities to illustrate a point when some leaders of the city's Negro community refused to cooperate.

Prof. Charles Hamilton, a Negro and a political scientist, explained that "black people have gotten fed up with white people coming in and trying to tell their story through white eyes."

The program explored the difficult employment situation, the widespread breakdown of education and housing. It showed some successful experimental work in progress—a demonstration school in Rochester, N.Y., a project to train and hire Negroes in Detroit's automobile factories. It examined the fragmentation and various viewpoints within the Negro communities. With considerable sympathy, it looked at the difficult position of city officials, from mayor to the policeman on a slum beat—"an outsider enforcing the rules," narrator Frank McGee described the latter.

Black-white relationships are far too tangled, too complicated and too controversial to do more than touch a few obvious bases in a two-hour program. This presentation was very talky, but raised no new issues and action to enliven it was in the often imaginative camera work.

There were the familiar scenes of street disturbances—Negro crowds shouting at the NBC cameras attempting to take shots for the series. There was film of squalid living conditions, the troubled faces of the victims of poverty.

The two hours were spent raising complex questions to which there are many suggested answers. And the program ended with a big question asked by Hamilton: Will the white majority "see the dissension as something healthy or simply as a contentious outcry of a lonely and depressed people?"

WIN AT BRIDGE

Standard Bids Net Top Score

By Oswald & James Jacoby

NORTH 31
♠ 8 3 2
♥ K J 9 8 6 5
♦ K 5
♣ J 8

WEST (D): ♠ 7 6, ♥ 4 3, ♦ A Q J 10 9, ♣ K 7 6 5
EAST: ♠ K J 10, ♥ A Q 10 7, ♦ 8 6 3 2, ♣ 3 2

SOUTH
♠ A Q 9 5 4
♥ 2
♦ 7 4
♣ A Q 10 9 4

East-West vulnerable

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead—♥ 4

The hands for the telephone match between the winners of the Champaign-Urbana Tournament and the Jacobys were Nos. 1 to 8 of a regular print-out of American Contract Bridge League computer hands.

Hand six represented a triumph for the bidding methods used by Mrs. Stone and Mrs. Bailey, playing simple Standard American.

Thus Mrs. Bailey was not tempted to open the North hand with two hearts. They were not using weak two bids.

Had she opened a weak two heart bid, chances are that she would have played the hand there and gone down one.

Thus it was up to Mrs. Smith to open in fourth seat and she made the simple call of one spade in accordance with the rule of opening the higher ranking of two five-card suits.

Many players make an exception and open a club in preference to a spade with this type of hand. We don't know just where the ladies would have played the hand after a club opening.

Anyway, after Mrs. Stone opened with one spade, it was up to Mrs. Bailey to act. We don't recommend a pass with her hand. Neither do we recommend a bid of two hearts. The modern theory is that you don't bid a new suit at the two level with less than 10 high card points, therefore the North hand calls for a one no-trump response.

Mrs. Bailey decided against bidding. Had she responded one no-trump they might well have wound up at two spades or higher. It is all rather academic because one spade became the final contract and Mrs. Stone proceeded to make three odd for what would have been a really excellent score in rubber bridge, match points, IMPs or a telephone match. It could be tied but it couldn't be beaten.

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♥CARD Sense♠

Q—The bidding has been:

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	1 N.T.	Pass	?

You, South, hold: ♠ K J 6 5 4 ♥ A K Q 9 8 ♦ 5 4 ♣ 2

What do you do now?

A—Bid two hearts only. You have two good five card suits but only 13 high card points.

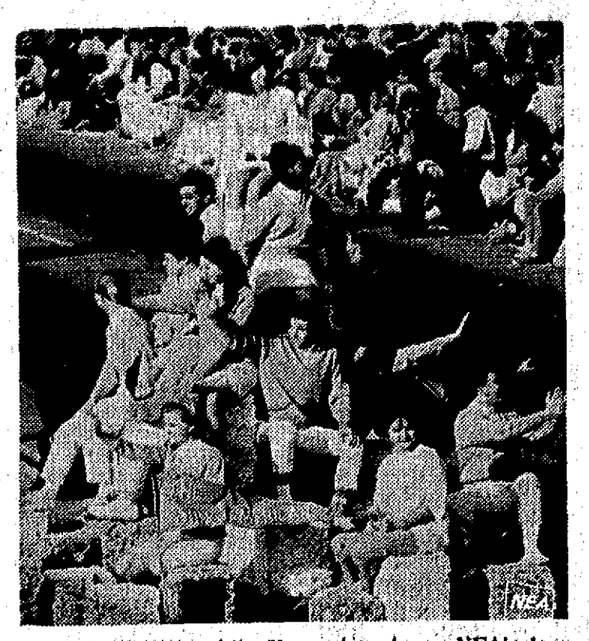
TODAY'S QUESTION

Your partner goes to two spades. What do you do now?

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New Year's Parade Is No Bed of Roses



AN OLD FRIEND of the Young Americans, NEA's Joan Crosby (holding the tip of the banner) shares a float with the popular singing group in the 1968 Tournament of Roses Parade. She and Joan Parker (top), the Dodge commercial girl, later changed places.

By JOAN CROSBY
NEA Entertainment Editor

PASADENA — (N E A) — For a participant in the annual Tournament of Roses Parade, the New Year's Eve celebration consists of a weak "whoopee" uttered as you retire for the night shortly after 8 p.m.

Wakeup time is 3:15 a.m. (when most New Year's Eve celebrations are just beginning to think of returning home), in order to get into make-up and costume. You're picked up at 4:30 a.m., board a bus for the drive from Los Angeles to Pasadena before the heavy traffic starts, then sit around and wait and freeze.

Last year I was invited to ride on the Chrysler Corporation float. I had always thought how magnificent Pasadena must smell on New Year's Day, with every inch of every float covered with living flowers.

The flowers have no scent. And considering the balmy climate in southern California, I didn't realize how bone-chilling the cold can be very early in the morning.

The 1968 Chrysler float, which was modern, psychedelic, red, pink and purple, did not win any prize. But it did contain a message of brotherhood.

My perch was precarious, and to feel secure, I bent my legs back around one of the flower-covered columns. It was lovely until the circulation stopped.

Meanwhile, high on the float, Joan Parker, the perky brunette in the Dodge commercials, was oohing every time there was a bump. She felt less secure and had a much greater distance to fall.

To her, my perch looked safe and secure. To me, her perch looked great because she could sit in a natural position, with her legs down. We made a pact and changed places.

Countless manhole covers lined the parade route. Each one became cause for panic, since the float bounced. I reached behind a column with my left arm and stretched. One of the Young Americans, also on the float, grabbed my hand. Joan reached down and grabbed my left shoulder. I moved my right—or waving-to-the-public arm—to the right, and with the part from the shoulder to the elbow, pressed Joan's legs securely against the pillar. Another Young American, sitting beneath me, grabbed my ankles. And thus we were, locked on the float, smiling, and waving all the time.

The Rose Parade on New Year's Day, 1969, will be the 80th. Each year there is a theme. Last year's was the Wonderful World of Adventure. This year it will be A Time To Remember. Bob Hope will be the parade's grand marshal.

It is not unusual for a corporation to spend $20,000 on flowers alone to decorate a float. Teams of people, very young to very old, painstakingly glue every exposed portion of the float with petals from literally millions of flowers.

Despite the long hours spent before the parade getting there, despite the discomfort and the cold when you are riding on a float, something happens when you see the people along the route. Those who have camped all night are just waking up, lighting their portable braziers and heating up breakfast. Some have stuck flowers in soft drink bottles. Everywhere along the parade route there are smiling faces.

You are part of a float that is part of a parade bringing them beauty and joy. They give it back to you.

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HELEN HELP US!

by Helen Bottel

REST HOME WOULD GIVE FAMILY SOME REST

Dear Helen: My Mother says my Grandmother has been this way for 50 years but I think she's getting worse. She fusses and cusses in front of friends. She takes swings at me and sometimes she connects.

But the worst thing she did last week was to take a knife and cut up all my new clothes, and some of them cost over $25.00 each. Then she said I did it! She even threatened to kill me.

My Mother says don't worry but I do, so I called the police and they wouldn't do anything because Granny hasn't hurt me yet. Help!—T.D.O.

Dear T: Before Granny DOES hurt someone, she should have a mental and physical check-up. If the doctor recommends a rest home, or other care, your mother had better listen to him!—H.

Dear Helen: I take eighth grade science. The teacher surprised us with with a test on simple machines. One of the questions was, "What simple machine is the propeller based on?"

Many students said "Wheel and axle,' but the teacher says the answer is "The screw,"

I know you're not a mechanic, Helen, but don't you agree with us that if it was a screw, the propeller would screw off and fall, or screw on and stop?—FAILED STUDENT

Dear F.S.: Because I'm not a mechanic, your answer makes sense to me, but Webster's Dictionary says we're both wrong.

It describes a propeller as a "contrivance consisting essentially of a screw in the form of flanges representing the threads of a screw attached to the end of a rotating shaft."

Leave us now go quietly to the foot of the class.—H.

Dear Helen: I'm 15 and in desperate need of help. I think I am pregnant; yes, I'm sure of it, but would anyone believe how it really happened?

I started dating this new boy almost three months ago. He seemed nice on the first few dates. Then he asked me to go on a picnic. He drove for about two hours and I started to worry, but all he said was "Shut up!" Finally he pulled on to a dirt road and stopped. Then he pushed me down a long path with high weeds on both sides, and into an old barn. I was scared, but I couldn't get away. He said if I told anyone he'd kill me, and I was his girl now. I cried all the way home and he got mad and said I was a big baby and forget it, or I'd be sorry.

I never spoke to him again. I tried to forget, but now I can't. I'm afraid to tell the truth but even more afraid my folks will think it.s just an excuse. Is there any way out?—SCARED TO DEATH

Dear Scared: Of course there's a way out, Honey. Do you have so little faith in your parents that you think they won't stand by you when you need them?

Your State allows legal abortions in case of rape, which includes statutory rape if a girl is under 16. At this late date you may not be able to prove force, but at least you won't face seven months of misery—that is, if your religion and your feelings about abortion allow you to have the operation.—H.

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3 FEATURES — 4 CARTOONS

Hope Star SPORTS

Fairview Standout in West 4-AA

RALPH ROUTON
Star Sportswriter

Basketball coaches enter their final praying stages early this week, hoping for success in the long weeks to come after the break for the Christmas holidays.

Around Region 4-AA the head mentors are wholly preparing for a highly-competitive, taxing winter, but the majority of the Western Division has the biggest challenge of all in attempting to derail Fairview's title hopes. They may not do it, though.

Cardinal Coach Pat Foster returns most of his hosses from last year's district runnerups, but Fairview is the unanimous choice to repeat as champions in 4-AA West. Forward Billy Joe Patton is averaging around 20 points a game in the potent Card offense, and his accuracy makes defenses double up on him constantly.

That will be the first mistake for Cardinal opponents, because immediately 6-4 cornerman Dicky Bush will have more freedom on his baseline drives, which are averaging him between 15 and 20 ppg. Now throw in 6-6 junior Mike Green on the low post, and Green can murder you inside if he is given ample room to negotiate his well-coordinated 195-pound frame.

When any high school team in these parts has a front line of that caliber, they usually see lots of sagging zone defenses. That is where the backcourt men come in, and Foster brings back both starting guards from the '67-68 edition.

Junior James Pryor is small at 5-9 but established his quickness and shooting ability as a capable but low-scoring performer last year. Now the scrappy Pryor has more experience and a better shooting hand, and has improved Richard Sanders ready out front to do the job also.

Fairview also has depth from two junior high teams which two junior high teams which finished as champions and runners-up in the state the past two seasons. With all that and Pat Foster at the helm, it's mighty hard to stray away from the Cardinals as the logical pick.

Those surprising Arkadelphia Badgers are ready to challenge after a couple of junior high powers, and the school gained much spirit and enthusiasm for all sports from an 8-3 football season, the first winning year at AHS in nearly fifteen years.

Now the Badgers have a tough shooting attack in soph Bill Vining, a 6-1 soph who is the son of the Ouachita Tigers' head coach of the same name. Another outstanding soph is 6-2 Bill Hurley, a hefty inside man who has a sure shot from in close.

There is another Hurley around, too, and it's hard to tell which is better. Jim Hurley at 5-10 is a swift left-handed guard, and he is in his third year starting for Arkadelphia. Noel Wolber at 6-4 helps out underneath, but he doesn't have the scoring punch of the others.

The Badgers have yet to play any 4-AA teams except Hope, and they came from a halftime stalemate to down the Bobcats 63-41 in a game that was closer than the score indicated. Arkadelphia won that game in the OBU Tournament, and a few days later beat White Hall 46-43 for the championship.

Camden Lincoln finished third in 4-AA West last season, and the Tigers will be around .500 this time. Lincoln had Ray Bush, a great inside scorer, last winter but not this year.

The Tigers do return guard Calvin Carroll and forward Robert Easter, and both averaged in the double figures last season. A hot-shot guard named Floyd Jackson is only a sophomore, but showed much potential last year in junior high.

For years Hope and Malvern ruled 4-AA, but the Leopards at least can generally be put out of the title picture in the '69 race. Coach Carroll Denton has two decent backcourt scorers in Eddie Jones and Mac Stroud, but Malvern must find depth under the basket.

Some help will be received from the consolidation of the Negro high school in Malvern, as was shown during football when the 4-AA runnerup Leopards rode the heels of 9.6 sprinter Connell Williams, an All-Stater, to an 8-3-1 mark.

Last year's darkhorses in 4-AA West were the Texarkana Washington Lions, but the records should fall down this year for the Lions with many starters departed.

This is the final year for Booker T. Washington High School, as next fall it will consolidate with AAA Arkansas High. But the Lions will not be out of it completely, with the prescence of good athletes like Ricky Collins. At 6-3, Collins should be the heart of the Washington offense, with some help coming from such substitutes as James Conkleton and Jerry Hubbard.

Five of the six teams in the Western Division of 4-AA have thus been summarized, with the Hope Bobcats left for the last. It will be a long road for the Cats after finishing in a fourth-place tie last winter in 4-AA West, but this dedicated bunch has the intestinal fortitude to make themselves true contenders.

There is a critical lack of height, with 6-6 senior center Jim Singleton the only man over 6-1. Jim has already started well towards a fine season, but he will have to be quite aggressive to compete for position and points under the goal.

Returning from the '67-68 bunch as an experienced starter is guard Ricky Putman, who has worked hard this year at eliminating the floor errors which must be nil for success to arrive. Also bringing the ball down will be 5-10 senior Danny Reyenga, whose best forte is playing defense.

Terry Turner is only 5-8, but the dedicated senior spent the month of December running holes in zone defenses for easy layups, and for his size he is among the best rebounders around. Terry and Reyenga love to maneuver the fast break, too, and they have run side-by-side in the backcourt since junior high days.

Six-foot senior James Simmons hasn't played since he was in the 9th grade at Guernsey, but he still has good driving ability and a beautiful jump shot from anywhere on the court. The sixth player of starting worth is Ronny Brown, the injury-prone junior whose latest problem was a slight head concussion suffered at Prescott.

Smooth Johnny Johnson is coming fast as a "B" team regular, and the versatile junior can help either at forward or guard. Soph Ronny Massanelli has seen action at guard, and Thomas Norvell is also a sleeper at either spot. Both Massanelli and Norvell need more scoring punch to complement their good defensive abilities, however.

Backing up Singleton in the pivot are seniors Gary McRoy and Fred McManus, both of whom are first-year men. Both as nonstarters for the Bobcats will see unlimited action on the "B" team, and that depth underneath will be readily appreciated.

Doug Cross and Charles Rateliff will provide help in the corners, and both are coming along well on the "B" Lizards, who have a strenuous schedule over the next weeks.

How well will Hope fare in the 4-AA race? Only time will tell, but an early guess could be drawn on the Cats' performances this weekend, first on Friday night against a fair Panther squad at Magnolia, then back at home on Saturday night in a rematch with the improved Ashdown Panthers, who just placed 2nd in the tough Nashville Invitational.

Vanderbilt's Pace May Go to Ok. State

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Vanderbilt head football coach Bill Pace is being considered as a possible successor to Phil Cutchin at Oklahoma State, the Nashville Tennessean reported in its morning editions today.

The newspaper quoted informed sources from Oklahoma as saying the Commodore's young skipper had been the No. 1 choice since Cutchin was relieved of the assignment earlier this month.

Pace, a native of Picher, Okla., has been at Vanderbilt for two years and this season directed a sophomore-laden squad to the first winning season for Vanderbilt since 1959.

Asked if the report was true, Pace said, "I have been invited to Stillwater for an interview concerning the head coaching job. I do not know, at this time, that I am 'high' on their list of candidates."

Pace called the progress at Vanderbilt "exciting," but added, "I feel sure any coach at any school realized he must think of his own future and the well-being of his personal affairs."

Bluebonnet Tonight: SMU Vs. Oklahoma

By HAL BOCK
Associated Press Sports Writer

Houston, coming back down to earth after the sensational show by the three Apollo 8 astronauts, gets a chance to blast off again tonight when it hosts the Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl between Southern Methodist and Oklahoma.

That will be the appetizer setting the stage for the big New Year's Day menu of Bowl games—the Rose at Pasadena matching Southern California and Ohio State; the Cotton at Dallas with Tennessee facing Texas; the Sugar at New Orleans with Georgia against Arkansas; and the Orange at Miami with Penn State against Kansas.

Two more games are scheduled for Saturday with North and South squads clashing in the Hula Bowl at Honolulu, Hawaii and in the American Bowl at Tampa, Fla.

The week's post-season action got started Monday night in the Peach Bowl at Atlanta where Louisiana State rallied behind Mike Hillman's quarterbacking to beat Florida State 31-27.

Hillman drove the Tigers downfield in the final minutes, completing two key passes and taking off on a 14-yard run to set up Maruice LeBlanc's three-yard plunge for the game-winning touchdown.

An overflow crowd of 60,000 is expected in the Astrodome tonight for the Astro-Bluebonnet which has succombed to Mother Nature and moved indoors following nine weather-troubled years in Rice Stadium.

Oklahoma and SMU both logged 7-3 records during the regular season and feature explosive offenses.

"Both teams ought to ring the scoring bell a few times," said Chuck Fairbanks, Oklahoma's coach. The Sooners won five straight games after a so-so start and Hayden Fry, SMU's coach, insists that Fairbanks' club has developed into possibly the best team in the nation.

"Oklahoma became a great team because of its balance on offense and defense," said Fry. "Ohio State is not as good on defense."

USC and explosive O.J. Simpson, the Heisman Trophy winner, will find out just how good Ohio State's defense is in the Rose Bowl Wednesday. O. J. will have running competition from the Buckeyes' Jim Otis, a tough fullback, and rollout quarterback Rex Kern.

In the Orange Bowl, third-ranked Penn State would figure to be a major problem but the Nittany Lions will have to go some to give Kansas any more headaches than the Jayhawks encountered in their own conference—the tough Big Eight.

Three Big Eight teams—Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma—all won bowl bids and Missouri whacked Alabama in the Gator showdown 35-10 last Saturday.

"Through better recruiting and better coaching, the Big Eight has been brought into balance," said Charlie McCullers, Kansas' offensive coach. "The rivalries are tough and cold-blooded now from top to bottom."

Kansas survived the tough Conference with a 9-1 record to set the stage for the meeting with unbeaten Penn State, 10-0.

Tennessee may have some surprises in store for Texas in the Cotton Bowl. "New wrinkles," was what Doug Dickey, coach of the Volunteers, called them.

"We won't have anything drastic for Texas, but we'll try to have something different," said Dickey. "I'd be surprised if there was a whole lot of offense. I doubt the game will be completely wide open," said Darrell Royal, coach of fifth-ranked Texas. He said his club would "stay with the basics."

Arkansas Coach Frank Broyles was struggling with how to deal with Georgia's tough defense in the Sugar Bowl. The Bulldogs had the best defensive statistics in the country this season.

"I thought when I left Georgia Tech, I wouldn't have to worry about playing Georgia again," said Broyles, who was a top quarterback and later an assistant coach at Tech.

Georgia's defense will have plenty to do against Broyles' club. "Arkansas has a tremendous offense," said Georgia Coach Vince Dooley, "certainly the best we've seen."

Basketball

College Basketball Results
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tournaments
Big Eight
Third Place
Colorado 78, Kansas State 75
Seventh Place
Iowa State 67, Oklahoma 62
Fifth Place
Nebraska 76, Missouri 70
Championship
Kansas 56, Okla. State 45

Quaker City
Fifth Place
Depaul 83, Penn State y3
Third Place
St. Jos., Pa. 80, Indiana 72
Championship
South Carolina 62, La Salle 59

ECAC Holiday Festibal
Fifth Place
Villanova 70, Holy Cross 65
Third Place
No. Carolina 103, Princeton 76
Championship
UCLA 74, St. John's, N.Y. 56

Sugar Bowl
First Round
Iowa 95, Houston 87
Duke 73, West. Kentucky 72

All College Tournament
Third Place
Okla. City 81, St. Bonaventure 71
Championship
La. State 94, Duquesne 91

Rainbow Classic
Seventh Place
Stanford 112, Submarine, Pacific 82
Fifth Place
Arizona 77, West Virginia 60
Third Place
Purdue 97, Hawaii 68
Championship
Santa Clara 64, Columbia 58

Far West Classic
Consolation
California 93, Arizona State 81
Third Place
Brig. Young 69, Oregon St. 64
Championship
Oregon 80, Wash. State 78

Other Games
Midwest
Washington 64, Ohio State 59
Toledo 97, San Francisco 58
Butler 81, New Mex. 80, OT
Bowling Gr. 89, Dartmouth 53
Minnesota 85, Detroit 80
Wash. U., St. Louis 77, Brown 69

South
Louisville 86, No. Tex. St. 73
Vanderbilt 65, No. Caro. St. 59
Notre Dame 92, Amer. U. 67
Richmond 69, East Tenn. 68
Alabama 87, Samford 64
Grambling 104, Miss. Val. 68

Far West
UC Santa Barbara 84, Connecticut 70
San Jose St. 91, Harvard 75
Nev. South. 99, Texas Christian 97

LSU Edges Fla. State by 31-27

ATLANTA (AP) — Maurice LeBlanc, an often-injured second-team running back, and a play designed to provide a two-point conversion for Louisiana State have powered the Tiger to their fifth bowl game victory in seven seasons.

LeBlanc's three-yard scoring plunge with 2:e9 left accounted for the winning touchdown Monday night as Louisiana State outlasted favored Florida State in a frantic 31-27 inaugural for Atlanta's new Peach Bowl.

The 6-foot-2 180-pound senior from Lafayette, La., said the play designed to secure conversions worked well all night and he kept using it while rolling up 97 yards in 14 carries.

Louisiana State overcame a costly series of early mistakes and held off a frantic comeback bid sparked by Florida State's vaunted passing combo of Bill Cappleman to All-American flanker Ron Sellers.

But it was second-string junior quarterback Mike Hillman who kept the Tiger attack rolling. He wound up being named the game's top offensive player.

The left-handed Hillman completed 16 of 29 passes for 229 yards and two touchdowns.

TIMELY QUOTES

In our party at present one is forbidden to argue, and one is not permitted to think.

—*Aleksei Y. Kosterin, 72, Russian author and original Bolshevik, resigning from Soviet Communist Party.*

Americans . . . arm themselves individually while refusing to pay higher taxes for better and more professional police. Private weapons have not reduced crime any more than private air conditioners have reduced air pollution.

—*Sociologist David Riesman.*

Alcindor and UCLA Run Over Foes

By DICK COUCH
Associated Press Sports Writer

Lew Alcindor and the awesome UCLA Bruins made a shambles of their Holiday Festival title game against St. John's, N.Y., while North Carolina's Charlie Scott and Kansas' Jo Jo Whites, two of America's Olympic basketball standouts, also sparkled in tournament play.

But Detroit supersoph Spencer Haywood, brightest of the U.S. cage stars at the Mexico City Olympic Games, was eclipsed by the Minnesota Gophers . . . and ca guy named Mikan.

Alcindor, UCLA's amazing, 7-foot-1½ All American, led the unbeaten, top-ranked Bruins past St. John's 74-56 with a 30-point, 22-rebound performance for the ECAC Holiday Festival championship at New York Monday night.

Scott teamed with 6-foot-9 Rusty Clark to pace fourth-ranked North Carolina in a 103-76 conquest of Princeton for third place in the Madison Square Garden classic and White, whose college eligibility runs out next month, helped fifth-ranked Kansas trim Oklahoma State 56-45 in the title game of the Big Eight Conference tournament at Kansas City.

At Minneapolis, Larry Mikan, the son of former All American George Mikan, a Hall of Famer and the commissioner of the American Basketball Association, led the unranked Gophers to an 85-80 victory over previously unbeaten, seventh-ranked Detroit . . . despite a 34-point spree by the 6-foot-8 Haywood.

Mikan put in 29 points and grabbed 16 rebounds as Minnesota ended the Titans' winning string at 10 games.

Ninth-ranked Villanova, beaten by North Carolina in the first round of the Holiday Festival, took fifth place with a 70-65 victory over Holy Cross.

But six of the other nationally ranked teams in action, including No. 17 St. John's, were upended.

South Carolina knocked off 11th ranked LaSalle 62-59 in the final of the Quaker City Classic at Philadelphia and No. 15 Duquesne bowed to Louisiana State 94-91 in the title game of the All College Tournament at Oklahoma City after the host team downed No. 20 St. Bonaventure 81-71 for third place.

Washington topped No. 13 Ohio State 64-59 at Columbus and Butler ambushed No. 18 New Mexico 81-80 in overtime at Indianapolis.

Seattle Ends Its 5-Game Loss Streak

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Seattle's 10-game losing streak is finally over and now Coach Al Bianchi hopes the SuperSonics can get back to the business of moving up in the National Baksetball Association's tight Western Division race.

Seattle halted its skid with a 120-118 victory over expansionist Phoenix Monday night. In other NBA action, Chicago dropped San Francisco 103-97 and Los Angeles nipped San Diego 131-126 in overtime.

In the American Basketball Association, Indiana whacked Kentucky 110-93 and Los Angeles trimmed Dallas 95-95.

The SuperSonics' victory left them 3½ games behind San Francisco and fourth place in the West. The Warriors, who dropped to fourth by losing to Chicago, are bunched with the Bulls and San Diego with only a half game separating the three teams.

Bob Rule and Art Harris scored 24 points each for Seattle but the SuperSonics, who led by 17 at the halfn had to hold off a late Phoenix surge to nail down the victory.

The Bulls won their fourth straight with Jimmy Washington, Bob Weiss and Clem Haskins packing a last quarter surge. The trio combined for 19 points after 11 third period points by Joe Ellis of the Warriors had depleted an earlier Chicago lead.

Haskins finished with 20 points while Weiss and Washington scored 17 each. Rudy Larusso led San Francisco with 21.

Jerry West scored 40 points, including seven in the overtime, to enable Los Angeles to turn back San Diego. The Rockets, who got a 33-point shoving from Elvin Hayes, led through the thirrd quarter and held a 93-90 lead at the start of the final period. But the Lakers rallied to tie it at 119-119 at the end of regto work.

Elgin Baylor scored 31 for the Lakers, while the Rockets' Jim Barnett and Don Kojis each had 28.

In the ABA, Mel Daniels and Bob Netolicky combined for 46 points and led Indiana past Kentucky. Daniels had 25 and Netolicky 21 as the Pacers pulled within one game of second place Kentucky in the Eastern Division.

After the game, Kentucky announced a two-for-two trade with the New York Nets, acquiring Oliver Darden and Dan Anderson in exchange for Manny Leaks and Randy Mahaffey.

Jim Jarvis sank five pints in the final 19 seconds to pull Los Angeles past Dallas.

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The creation of a thousand forests is in one acorn.—Ralph Waldo Emerson

PINPOINTS

BY WAYNE ZAHN



PROFESSIONAL BOWLERS ASSN.

Timing Troubles

Talking about bowlers having trouble on the tour, one of the prime examples I can give is myself in 1965. I had timing trouble and I had a big hook which was creating a lot of trouble for me. The solution was in my backswing, which I increased a little bit, and by different hand positions with release.

Bill Allen, who was having trouble in 1966 and the early part of 1967, also found the same solution worked quite well. He kept his hand at the start at about the 8 o'clock position, thumb down, and this created a better release for him. It also helped his arm swing become straighter.

Billy Welu has been working on his game for about three years now and it seems as though Billy has been trying everything he sees on tour. Consequently, he has about five to eight shots for any type lane condition that he follows. The problem in that, I feel, is that he has no set arm swing and no set release. In other words, he's not accustomed to doing the same thing all the time and every once in awhile, Billy gets himself into a little trouble.

I'm sure Dave Davis will agree with me. He has been having a little trouble and has been working on his game, too. I consider Dave one of the top left-handers in the country. We've always had a conflict between left and right-handed bowlers, but Dave, to me, seems to be one of the best because he's able to move. He can play the third arrow, second arrow, what have you.

But he's been having arm trouble. I think it's like a tennis elbow, which bowlers can develop. Dave has been working on his arm swing and I think he's going to be working on hand positions, too.

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Atlanta and Knicks Victorious

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Even the St. Louis Hawks were never like this, and the same might be said for the New York Knicks.

The Hawks, who moved to Atlanta this season after many a successful season in St. Louis, nipped Baltimore 101-99 Sunday night in the National Basketball Association for their 10th straight victory something they never managed in St. Louis.

The Knicks, right behind, made it eight in a row with an easier 120-112 decision over Seattle, but six of those triumphs have come since New York acquired All-Star forward Dave DeBusschere. The trade seems to have made the Knicks a serious contender in the Eastern Division.

In the only other games, Bob Boozer led Chicago from behind to a 102-97 triumph over Milwaukee, and Los sAngeles downed Detroit 111-108.

Zelmo Beaty's 15-foot jump shot at the buzzer broke the record for the Hawks, whose streak has pulled them within 4½ games of Western Division leader Los Angeles. Beaty's shot climaxed a stirring comeback in which the Hawks overcame a five-point deficit with 51 seconds left on steals by Walt Hazzard and Joe Caldwell.

Beaty finished with 23 points. Earl Monroe notched 33 for Baltimore, the East leader.

Willis Reed, switched from forward to center with the acquisition of DeBusschere, pumped in 34 points, his season high, moving the Knicks into a virtual tie for fourth place with Cincinnati.

The victory was the 18th in 22 games for the Knicks while Seattle lost its 10th in a row.

Boozer was on the bench when Milwaukee took an 84-77 lead, but he returned to score 13 of his 22 points in the final seven minutes when the Bulls overtook the Bucks.

Clutch fourth-quarter baskets by Jerry West and Elgin Baylor led Los Angeles over Detroit. West had 34 points and Baylor 24, Dave Bing and Happy Hairston paced the Pistons with 29 and 28, respectively.

On Saturday night, the Hawks dropped Boston 110-97 and the Knicks nudged Seattle 111-108. Philadelphia beat Cincinnati 128-123, Detroit buried San Francsico 131-102, Chicago tripped Los Angeles 93-86 and San Diego defeated Phoenix 136-126.

In the American Basketball Association Sunday, it was Houston 93, Los Angeles 83; Oakland 120, Minnesota 99; Denver 102, Dallas 92; Miami 107, New Orlans 106, and Kentucky 118, New York 116 in overtime.

On Saturday it was Denver 127, Los Angeles 112; Oakland 129, Indiana 121, and New Orleans 111, Houston 93.

Oakland Blasts by Minnesota

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Oakland superstar Rick Barry's left knee is in a cast, but there's still no stopping the Oaks in American Basketball Association play.

The Oaks, who lost Barry indefinitely Friday with torn knee ligaments, rolled past the Minnesota Pipers 120-99 Sunday night for their ninth straight victory.

Oakland, which has won 28 of 32 starts for a commanding lead in the ABA's Western Division, trimmed the Eastern Division-leading Pipers for the second time in as many meetings, with guards Henry Logan and Warren Armstrong leading the attack.

Elsewhere, Miami edged New Orleans 107-106, Kentucky nipped New York 118-116 in overtime, Denver topped Dallas 102-92 and Houston downed Los Angeles 93-83.

Saturday night, Oakland beat Indiana 129-121, Denver whipped Los Angeles 127-112 and New Orleans subdued Houston 111-93 in the only games scheduled.

Logan hit for 25 points and Armstrong added 22 for the Oaks. Charlie Williams' 22 points paced the Pipers, who also played without their top man, Connie Hawkins, out with the flu.

Skip Thoren poured in 33 points, including a key jump shot with 24 seconds remaining, to lead Miami past New Orleans. Thoren's last field goal gave the Floridians a 105-03 margin and Willie Murrell added two free throws before a three-pointer by the Ducs' Steve Jones closed the gap.

Steve Jones and Jim Jones each scored 34 points for New Orleans.



between you'n'me

BY MURRAY OLDERMAN
Newspaper Enterprise Association

'Sky-High' Fans

No lack of confidence in Ohio State's Rose Bowl pretensions in Columbus. Even before the Buckeyes faced Michigan in the Rose Bowl showdown—three weeks before, to be exact—a group of local citizenry chartered and filled a plane for Pasadena. . . .

The "Joe Must Go" fever in Philadelphia, with banners urging the departure of beleaguered Coach Joe Kuharich of the Eagles, has been caught by the players. "Now," notes 37-year-old placekicker Sam Baker, "they add, 'And Take Sam With You.'" . . .



Joe Kuharich

Interesting bit about hot Cincinnati U. passer Greg Cook, whom the pros like (he's 6-4 and can throw a football 50 yards off his ear without shifting his feet). Because he broke his hand as a sophomore, Cincy figured he'd be around through the '69 collegiate season. But the coach at that time played the tall quarterback in the last two games of the season—and Greg suspects it's because the coach knew his job was gone and had no interest in saving Cook's eligibility for his successor. . . .

Another Cincy note: The pro basketball Royals are plenty gloomy about their attendance figures. They play 11 of their home games in Cleveland this season and two in Omaha. Does that add up to a future move? . . .

Before Eldridge Dickey gets to moaning too deeply about the procrastination of the Oakland Raiders in breaking the color line at quarterback, he should be reminded that the first great T-QB in pro ball, Sid Luckman, spent his entire first season with the Chicago Bears as a running halfback . . . because Papa Bear George Halas wanted him to get the full feel of the offense . . . And Heisman Trophy winner Gary Beban, who wants to play quarterback as badly as Dickey, isn't crying publicly because the Redskins have him at halfback. . . .

Omen: Biggest upset of the pro grid season was New York Giants' win at Dallas, sparked by qb Fran Tarkenton. His brother's name: Dallas Tarkenton. . . .

Penn State All-American Ted Kwalick, a cinch No. 1 draft choice as a tight end, got straightened out for his future career by seeing the movie version of "Paper Lion." Notes Ted. "It made me think twice about turning pro. I never really knew how tough they were. And I was impressed with their pride." . . . In Nittany Lion country, they tell you the toughest guy on the undefeated team is defensive lineman Mike Reid. . . .

That Ohio State rain of sophomore talent isn't about to end. Next year's soph crop will dredge up a phenomenal placekicker named Stan White to solve the one problem the Buckeyes have had this fall. . . .

Lots of rumors surrounding the bankrolling of the new American Professional Golfers (APG) tour because even the conservatives figure it'll take a cool half million bucks to operate the first year. But Billy Boone, the old Yale halfback who's the administrative boss of the new setup, denies them all when he says at least half the tournament pros are carrying the initial freight by doubling up on their dues—paying $250 initiation and advancing the same amount for their first year's dues—so that the office personnel can get paid. . . .

The revved-up Minnesota Vikings are now claiming that Carl Eller, their double-duty defensive end, has passed Deacon Jones of the Rams as the most feared rusher in the NFL. . . .

Between you'n'me, despite all his game-breaking heroics, a lot of guys close to the Giants will tell you Homer Jones doesn't deserve all-pro ranking because he drops the short ones, sulks and jakes it when he's not in on the play. . . .

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Texas and Tennessee Tomorrow

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
Associated Press Sports Writer

DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — The word is respect and the players of both Texas and Tennessee use it freely in discussing each other on the eve of the 33rd annual Cotton Bowl classic.

Capt. Dick Williams, Tennesse's rugged defensive tackle, said, "They have great backs and a great offensive line. We really respect them.

"We are going to have to gang tackle All-American Chris Gilbert. He's so quick with his feet that we will need supreme pursuit."

But Williams, said, "We are really ready to play. This is the first time we have been the underdogs in 17 games."

Williams said Tennessee was "more mentally ready" to play Texas than it was in the Orange Bowl last year when the Vols were nicked 26-24 by Oklahoma.

"We've been thinking football this time," Williams said. "We saw too many sights down in Florida and weren't thinking football as much as we should.

"Those Tennessee linebackers impressed me," said Gilbert. "You have really got to respect them. But I think we can score on Tennessee. Say, I didn't mean to sound cocky. I don't want to get killed."

Split end Cotton Speyrer of Texas said Tennessee "has the best defensive backfield we have played against. Their secondary and their linebackers are great." Gilbert was asked where he got his unusual ability to run sideways almost as fast as he does forward.

"My father says I got it from him and my mother says I got it from her," Gilbert joked. "Running backs are born, not made."

Gilbert, although weighing only 180 pounds, is the only back on a team playing a major college schedule to gain over 1,000 yards in each of his varsity seasons. Fifth-ranked Texas and eighth-ranked Tennessee were to hold little more than loosening up drills today.

Star defensive tackle Leo Brooks of Texas returned to the team after a bout with the flu. All Tennessee hands are in good shape.

Tennessee Coach Doug Dickey said Monday that he will unveil a few 'new wrinkles" for Texas.

"We won't have anything drastic for Texas, but we'll try to have something different," said Dickey.

Royal said he didn't look for a particularly wide-open game.

"I don't think that both teams will just rip up and down the field," Royal said. "I feel each team can go on two long sustained drives during the game. But anything scoring past that will have to come on the breaksm"

Tennessee and Texas have met twice before in the Cotton Bowl with the Volunteers winning 20-16 in 1951 and Texas on top 16-0 in 1953.

Oklahoma 12-Point Choice Over SMU

By B.F. KELLUM
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP) — Oklahoma, a team that likes to travel on the ground, was a 12-point favorite over pass-minded Southern Methodist for tonights Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl Classic in the Astrodome.

A standing room only crowd in excess of 60,000 was to watch the two offensive machines move up and down the synthetic turf in what was expected to be a high scoring affair.

The game beginning at 7:45 p. m. (EST) was to be televised nationally.

The game matches a team that throws the ball an average of 48 times a contest against one that calls on the infantry an average of 61 times.

The Sooners, led by Steve Owens, a workhorse tailback, scored an average of 31 points a game in compiling a 7-3 season mark and a first place tie in the Big Eight Conference.

With quarterback Chuck Hixson, the nation's leading passer, throwing to Jerry Levias, the country's second leading receiver, SMU averaged 28 points a game and matched the Sooners' 7-3 record. The surprising Mustangs finished third in the Southwest Conference after being general pre-season picks for the cellar.

Both Oklahoma, ranked 10th, and SMU ranked 20th, are ball controlling specialists. SMU averaged 85 passing and running plays a game while the Sooners averaged 80.

This is the first Bluebonnet Bowl game to be played in the Astrodome. The other nine previous games were played in Rice University Stadium.

Ohio State, Southern Cal in Rose Bowl

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Ohio State and Southern California, the nation's one-two football teams, are set to slug it out for national honors New Year's Day in probably the most significant Rose Bowl game in the long history of the classic.

The unbeaten Buckeyes, champions of the Big Ten, remained a narrow favorite today to stop the Pacific-8 Conference champs, undefeated but tied by Notre Dame during the regular season.

A capacity crowd of 100,000 is expected for the first Rose Bowl meeting of two undefeated teams since the two conferences began their closed series in 1947.

Kickoff time is 2 p.m., PST, with NBC doing the telecasting.

Late forecasts said there would be no rain, a prediction that pleased the teams and the coachesn Woody Hayes of the Buckeyes and John McKay of the host Trojans.

Southern Cal, headed by quarterback Steve Sogge and fabulous halfback O. J. Simpson, will start a set of troops that far exceeds Ohio State in experience.

McKay's offense has six seniors, three juniors and two sophomores, and the defense three seniors, seven juniors and one sophomore.

The Buckeyes' offense, barring belated revision, will have five sophomores, four juniors and two seniors, and on defense, six sophs, four juniors and one senior.

Field general for the buckeyes is a rollout quarterback, Rex Kern, a sophomore.

Ohio State's leading rusher is Jim Otis, a power-hitting 208-pounder. Larry Zelina, a fast 190-pound sophomore, is a break-away runner.

This is Southern Cal's third straight appearance in the big bowl. The Trojans lost to Purdue in 1967, 14-13, when McKay declined to go for a tie with an extra point conversion attempt and missed on a two-point play.

Legal Plan for Poor Is Attacked

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — The St. Francis County Bar Association has adopted a resolution criticizing a federally financed pilot program by the state Welfare Department that provides legal services for the poor.

In a letter to the department, the association said that providing the poor with legal assistance would "result in unnecessary litigation and a burden upon the courts of St. Francis County, and would be of little or no value to those for whom such a program would be intended to serve."

The pilot program received a $130,588 grant from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. It provides qualified welfare recipients with free legal services for civil cases.

The program is for a year just to see if such aid to the poor is needed.

The association's resolution said that "all elements of society in St. Francis County, regardless of race, religion or social standing.

Head - Rests Required on New Autos

WASHINGTON (AP) — Head rests to prevent whiplash neck injuries and special latches to keep doors and hoods from flying open are required on all U.S. cars manufactured after today.

Federal safety standards effective with the turn of the New Year also require windshield wiping and defrosting systems that meet minimum federal performance standards.

Television Logs

Tuesday

Night

6:00 What's New 2
Truth or Consequences 3 (C)
News, Weather, Sports 4-6-7-11-12 (C)
6:30 Extension Forum 2
Bulebonnet Bowl 3-7 (C)
Oklahoma's Sooners vs. SMU's Mustangs
Orange Parade 4-6(C)
Lancer 11-12 (C)
7:00 Films of Melies 2
7:30 Julia 4-6 (C)
Red Skelton 11-12 (C)
8:00 Scene 2
Movie 4 (C)
"Million Dollar Mermaid"
Movie 6(C)
"Come Back, Little Sheba"
8:30 Antiques 2
Doris Day 11-12 (C)
9:00 Net Festival 2
Year-End Report 11-12 (C)
9:30 Sports Highlights 3 (C)
That's Life 7 (C)
10:00 News, Weather, Sports 3-4-6-7-11-12 (C)
10:30 Joey Bishop 3-7 (C)
Johnny Carson 4-6 (C)
Commercial Film 11
10:40 Paul Harvey 12(C)
10:45 77 Sunset Strip 11
Movie 12
"The Glenn Miller Story
11:30 Guy Lombardo 3 (C)
12:00 Evening Devotional 6
11:55 Children's Doctor 3 (C)

Afternoon

12:00 Dream House 3 (C)
12:30 Let's Make A Deal 3-7 (C)
12:45 Sugar Bowl 4-6 (C)
Arkansas Razorbacks vs. Georgia Bulldogs
Cotton Bowl 11-12 (C)
Tennessee Volunteers vs. Texas Longhorns
1:00 Newlywed Game 3-7 (C)
1:30 Dating Game 3-7 (C)
2:00 General Hospital 3-7 (C)
2:30 One Life to Live 3-7 (C)
3:00 Travel Film 2
Dark Shadows 3-7 (C)
3:30 Friendly Giant 2
Movie 3
"Shark River"
Bozo's Big Top 7 (C)
Year-End Report 11-12 (C)
3:30 Rose Bowl 4-6 (C)
Ohio State Buckeyes vs. USC Trojans
4:00 Misterogers 2
4:30 What's New 2
Perry Mason 11
To Be Announced 12
5:00 Scene 2
News 3-7 (C)
McHale's Navy 12
5:25 Travel Film 2
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News 11-12 (C)

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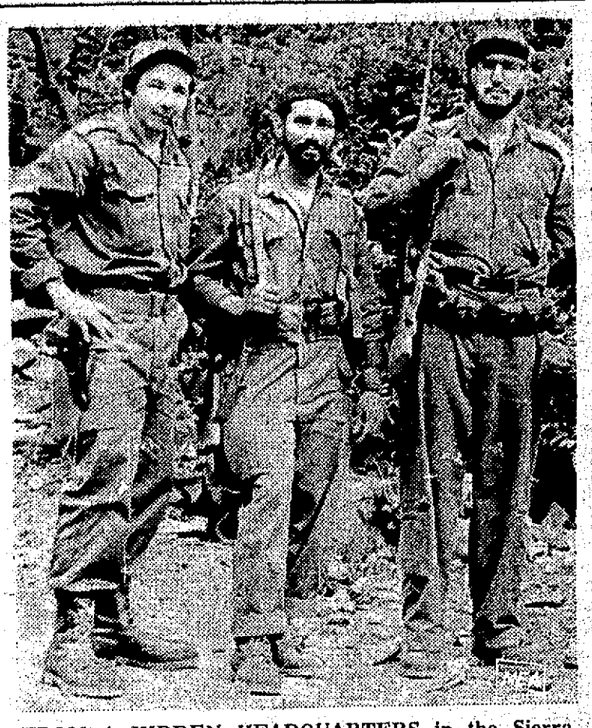
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6:50 Your Pastor 12 (C)
7:00 Bozo's Big Top 3 (C)
Today 4-6 (C)
News 11 (C)
Paul Harvey 12 (C)
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7:30 Bozo's Big Top 7 (C)
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7:55 Paul Harvey 12 (C)
8:00 This Morning 7 (C)
Captain Kangaroo 11-12 (C)
8:30 Movie 3
"the Big Beat"
Treasure Isle 7
9:00 Orange Parade 4-6 (C)
Dream House 7
Rose Parade Pre-view 11-12 (C)
9:30 Dick Cavett 7 (C)
Cotton Bowl Parade 11-12 (C)
10:00 Dick Cavett 3 (C)
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11:30 Funny You Should Ask 3 (C)
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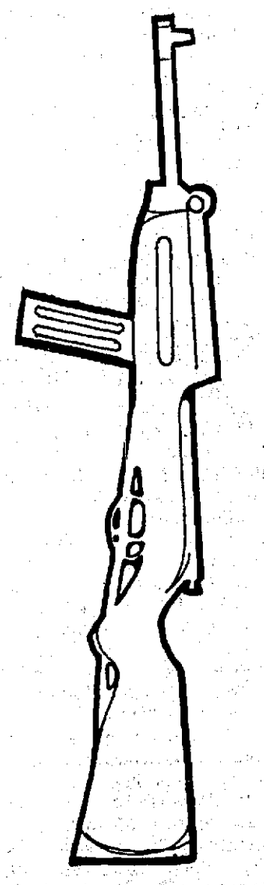
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7:00 Arkansas Showcase 2
7:30 Peyton Place 3-7 (C)
Good Guys 11-12 (C)
8:00 Westminister 2
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"Ride the Wild Surf"
Beverly Hillbillies 11-12 (C)
8:30 Green Acres 11-12 (C)
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Hawaii Five-O 11-12 (C)
9:45 Bowl Game Highlights 4-6 (C)
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10:30 Movie 3 (C)
"The Benny Goodman Story"
Johnny Carson 4-6 (C)
Joey Bishop 7 (C)
Movie 11
"Gunslinger"
10:40 Paul Harvey 12 (C)
10:45 Movie 12
"The Bottom of the Bottle"
12:00 Evening Devotional 6



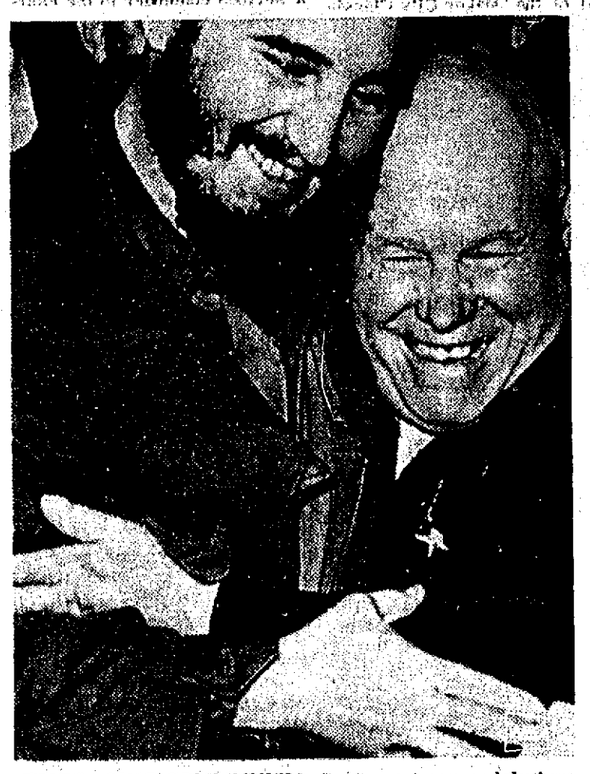
SURROUNDED BY BEARDED RIFLEMEN, Castro marched to Havana after ousting strong man Batista. At left, he delivers impassioned speech at a village along the way. At right, he enters the Cuban capital in triumph (top) and reads oath of office as prime minister (bottom).



FROM A HIDDEN HEADQUARTERS in the Sierra Maestra of Oriente Province, Castro started his revolution in 1956 with a handful of guerrillas. He is seen here at right with brother Raul, left, and Juan Almeida, a guerrilla leader.



CASTRO



EMBRACING COMMUNISM, Castro got comradely hug from Nikita Khrushchev when they met in 1960 at U.N.



BEARDLESS, BOYISH Fidel Castro in 1955 was busy raising funds for a Cuban revolution. This photo was taken in New York City, where Castro was a familiar figure among Cuban leaders.

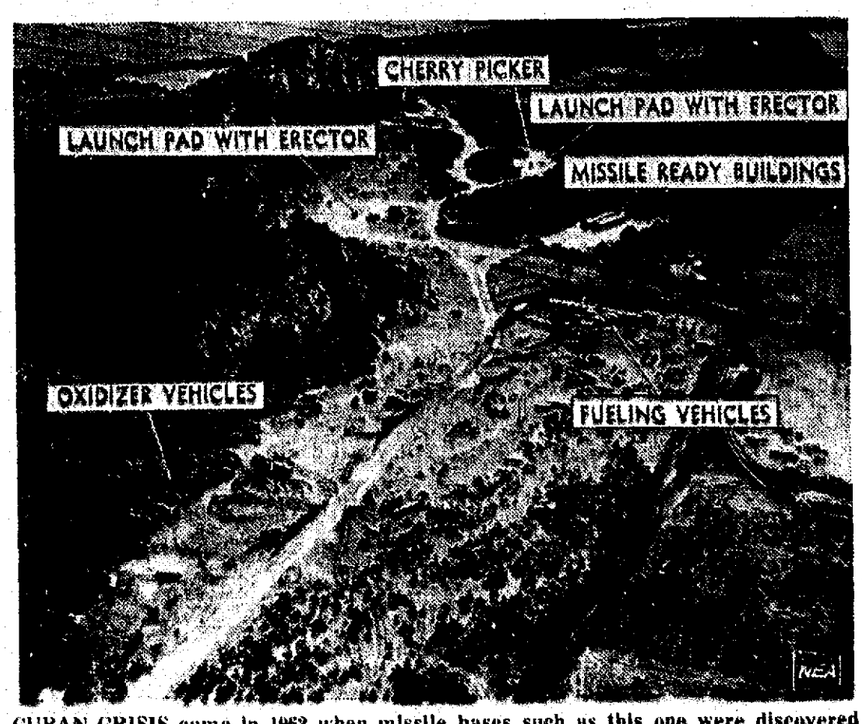
Next month will mark the 10th anniversary of Fidel Castro's triumphant march into Havana following the collapse of Fulgencio Batista's government in Cuba. Here is a page of preparedness material which may be used in layout or separately. Mats are mailed for the rifle drawing, which also may be used horizontally as a three-column, and the Castro heading.



CASTRO AND CHE posed for this photo in 1960 when the Communist-oriented Ernesto "Che" Guevara was one of Fidel's top men. Guevara was killed in 1967 in Bolivia where he was leading a guerrilla force.



CIGAR FACTORIES in Havana have a political flavor with pictures of Lenin and various Castro revolutionary figures adorning work benches.



CUBAN CRISIS came in 1962 when missile bases such as this one were discovered on the island. After a blockade by U.S. warships, Russia agreed to remove missiles.



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12-25-tf

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12-1-tf

24. Used Trucks

1966 FORD twin - I-beam half ton pickup. Clean. Standard transmission, Custom cab, 777-6743.
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48. Slaughtering

CUSTOM Slaughtering Beef or pork cut and wrapped for your deep freeze. Contact BARRY'S GROCERY, 777-4404.
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63. Sewing Machines

SEWING MACHINE SALES — Service, repair. Any make, model. Only authorized representative of Local Sewing Center. Phone: 777-3830, Hope, Arkansas.
12-6-1mp

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12-3-tf

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12-9-tf

ILLNESS AT HOME? Convalescent needs for home care can be bought or rented at your Village Rexall Pharmacy, examples: wheelchairs, crutches, walkers and a hospital bed.
12-4-1mc

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12-27-tf

HEATING SYSTEMS, filters and controls-need checking now. . . .before real cold weather sets in. A-One Contractors, 109 West Division. 777-6614.
12-31-tf

73. Jewelers

FINEST WATCH & Jewelry repair. All work guaranteed. Party napkins for all occasions, personalized, printed. Stewart's Jewelry Store. 208 South Main.
12-6-tf

80. Help Wanted

AVON. . .NEED MONEY?. . . Earn it as thousands do. Represent Avon Cosmetics. Write Avon Manager, P.O. Box 944, Texarkana, Texas.
12-26-6tc

WANTED-SALESMAN WHO can work leads and requires at least $800 per month. Bankers Life and Casualty Co., The White Cross Plan. Write J.R. Sparks, P.O. Box 489, Camden, Arkansas. 71701
12-26-18tc

2. Notice

We need 10 modern three bedroom homes for sale to out of town customers. List your property now with our firm for quick action on sales.

FOSTER REALTY CO., Inc.
512 East Third Street
Phone 777-4691
12-31-4tc

90. For Sale

CLEARANCE SALE
ON
PICK-UP COVERS
(WHILE THEY LAST)



(LINED AND UNLINED)

Road Runner Camper Sales
HWY. 67 WEST 777-3731
12-31-6tc

90. For Sale

SORRY SAL is now a merry gal. She used Blue Lustre rug and upholstery cleaner. Rent electric shampooer $1. Home Furniture Company.
12-30-6tc

40 x 10 ft. HOUSE TRAILER. Extra Clean $2,450. 1967 Ford Pickup, low milage, good tires, like new. 1963 Jeep Pickup, new engine and clutch, perfect mechanical condition. Coot- the vehicle that goes anywhere — Road Runner Camper Sales, 700 West 3rd. 777-3731.
12-12-tf

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12-31-6tp

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12-31-2tp

91. For Rent

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12-6-tf

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12-12-tf

95. Apartments Unfurnished

FOR LEASE at Hillcrest and Imperial— 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. Utilities paid. Some furnished. $100.00 up 777-3363 or 777-5744.
12-1-tf

LARGE DUPLEX with two bedrooms, washer connections. 215 North Louisana Street. 777-4427 or 777-5748.
12-12-tf

102. Real Estate For Sale

SEVERAL SMALL HOUSES that can be used for homes or rental property. Call 777-6743.
12-7-tf

DISCOUNT FOR NEWS

KATMANDU, Nepal (AP) — The Royal Nepal Airlines Corporation has announced a 25 per cent concession to journalists flying on professional work.

It will also give a 25 per cent concession in freight charges on press matter and newspapers, and priority of dispatch in internal and external services.



DOCTOR'S MAILBAG

Excessive Perspiration May Be From Tension

By WAYNE G. BRANDSTADT, M.D.

Q—What would cause my feet to perspire so bad that it makes the skin red and sore? Can this be cured?

A—Excessive sweating may be caused by heat, exertion, wearing nonporous shoes, such as those with rubber soles, or nervous tension. This in itself would not cause your skin to become inflamed but would aggravate a dermatitis caused by contact with some chemical in your shoes or socks to which you are sensitive.

Soaking your feet in a solution of potassium permanganate or tannic acid will check the sweating for six to eight hours. Dusting powdered alum in your shoes every morning will also help.

Q—What can I put on my hands to keep them from perspiring?

A—When sweating is limited to the palms, the cause is usually an instability of the nervous control of the blood vessels in the skin. The condition is worse in warm weather or when one is emotionally keyed up. You should avoid all drinks that contain caffeine. Propantheline bromide, a prescription drug, may also help. In extreme cases, surgically cutting the nerves involved in sweating is advisable.

Q—I am bothered by heavy night sweats. What could cause them and what can I do for them?

A—Night sweats may be caused by tuberculosis, a deficiency of vitamin C or D, nightmares, a generally rundown condition or the diminution of sex hormones that occurs in the 40s or early 50s. Have your doctor determine which cause applies in your case so that the treatment can be directed at the cause.

Q—My perspiration stains my underclothes. I use deodorants and let them dry on my skin before I put my clothes on but this doesn't help. What do you advise?

A—Sweat stains may be blue, green, red or black and are caused by pigment-producing bacteria except in some persons whose stained sweat comes from chemicals they are working with. Yellow or orange sweat may be caused by jaundice, pregnancy or the fungus, Nocardia. You should have a skin specialist determine the exact cause in your case.

Q—Isn't it harmful to use chemicals to suppress one's perspiration?

A—Normal sweating cools and flushes the skin and thus performs a necessary function. Antiperspirants do not completely shut off your perspiration but may cause a rebound—excessive sweating as soon as the antiperspirant effect wears off.

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Please send your questions and comments to Wayne G. Brandstadt, M.D., in care of this paper. While Dr. Brandstadt cannot answer individual letters, he will answer letters of general interest in future columns.

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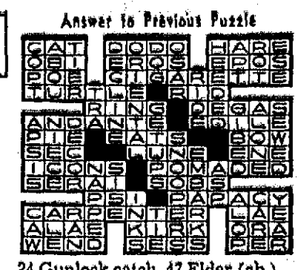
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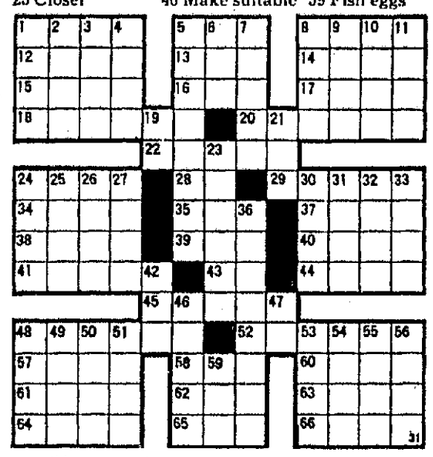
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Answer to Previous Puzzle





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Big Housing Shortage in Ozarks

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Millions of dollars are still needed to correct housing deficiencies in the Ozark region of Arkansas, Missouri and Oklahoma, according to a report issued Saturday.

According to the report by Hugh H. Spurlock of the USDA Economic Development Service at Fayetteville, only about one-fifth of the rural homes in the Ozark region in 1950 had hot and cold water, a flush toilet and bathing facilities.

The facilities increased to 73 per cent by 1966.

The report said about $419 million is needed to correct the deficiencies.

It said urban housing in the region was comparable in 1960 to urban housing throughout the nation, "whereas rural housing was of a lower quality." Fifteen per cent of urban housing was substandard, compared to 14 per cent of the rural housing. Almost 60 per cent of the population in the Ozark region is rural.

Nearly two-thirds of the funds needed to correct deficiencies would be needed to provide a bathroom, adequate water supply and plumbing to housing units. The remaining funds would be used for installing central heating systems and additional bedrooms.

Cease-Fire for Prisoner Release

SAIGON (AP) — The U.S. Command announced today it will send five representatives New Year's Day to a second meeting with the Viet Cong in an attempt to secure the release of three American prisoners of war promised freedom by the enemy.

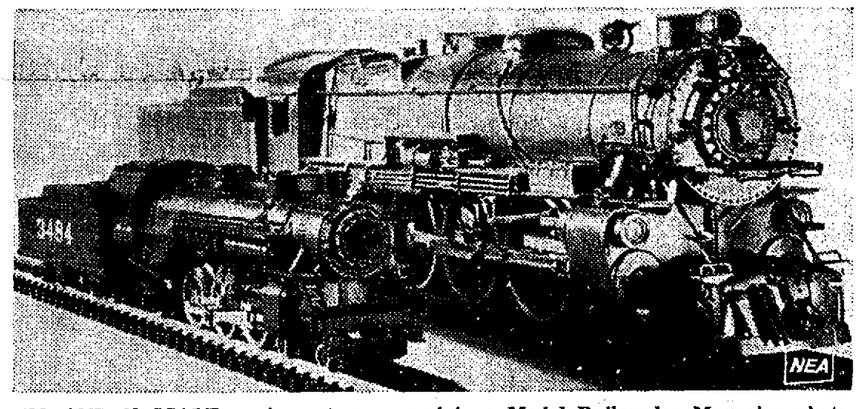
In a broadcast over the Armed Forces Radio, U.S. headquarters said a cease-fire would be observed around the meeting site 50 miles northwest of Saigon.

"To ensure the safety of the prisoners and the participants from the opposing side," the U.S. announcement said, "a corridor to the meeting place, free of military action on the part of the allies from 6 a.m. until three hours after the meeting ends, will be established. The corridor will be approximately two kilometers wide and will run southwest from the meeting site in a straight line."

The U.S. Command said it assumed the Viet Cong would send an equal number of unarmed representatives to the meeting and that there will be no other military forces within six-tenths of a mile—one kilometer—of the meeting place.

The meeting will be held in the same open field in which U.S. and Viet Cong representatives met for 2½ hours Christmas Day. That time they failed to reach agreement on arrangements for release of the prisoners.

'Invader' Rocks the World Of Model Railroaders



HO AND N SCALE equipment compared in a Model Railroader Magazine photo. N locomotives are about three inches long.

By JIM CROSSLEY

Railroad circles haven't been so shook since the time the Pennsylvania merged with the New York Central.

For years the HO scale has been the standard for model train hobbyists. Then, like the Wabash Cannonball hiballing around a bend, came the N scale.

It was relatively a few months ago and the arrival has got this up-to-then sedately organized group of about a million model train builders fumbling around like a yard full of switch engines in a pea-soup fog.

Width between the track for HO is .650 of an inch and N's is .354 of an inch, just about half the size. This means much more operating trackage can be built in the same amount of space. Or it means that a man in an apartment can construct just as big a railroad empire in half the space—even on a board that can be put away in a closet.

"To convert or not to convert?"

"Is the equipment too jewellike for little kids?"

"If the HO space is used for N it will take more trains, scenery, more trackside buildings, more everything, but can I afford it?" (N costs relatively the same as HO.)

The above are questions that must be answered by every member of this strange underearth clan which slinks to the basement for the hours of labor at track-laying, switch building, boxcar construction, engine alteration, scenery creation, soldering and spray painting they call a hobby.

An odd and creative breed, maybe our greatest treasure of hand craftsmen. There are 15,000 serious enough to be members of an organization, the National Model Railroad Association, which has conventions, publications and sets standards. It is not particularly a field for the young, though there are always many exceptionally skilled teen-agers coming along.

Running the trains is a minor part of the hobby. Construction—originating his own personal world in miniature, his "layout"—is the fun.

"Gauge" is the word for the space between the rails the equipment runs on. "Scale" is that fraction of an inch that represents the ratio with the true foot.

The contest between the builder and the hobby is to keep the scale proportion—in ties, switches, trees, bricks in buildings, trackside figures, everything.

For operational purposes, wheels, couplers and fine things like handrails on cars must deviate from scale. Rail modelers are apologetic about it.

They'll also use the wrong size or style air compressor casting on a locomotive they're building or making more authentic. They know better. They hate it. But a man can spend only so much time in casting or milling his own tiny engine accessories.

Meticulous? Absorbed? Only a loving, enduring wife of a modeler can comprehend it.

So now comes N gauge. Over the land there will be wifely exclamations like this:

"Oh, no, Bill. You didn't buy another locomotive? . . . It's so little! . . . Is it going to be able to run on your track?"

Then Bill, wizard with the X-Acto knife, dexterous operator of the Unimat, heir to the secrets of the ancient lost wax process, complete and utter master of a little world in which trains run precisely on time, comes back to THIS earth and starts breaking the news about N.

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LEGAL NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

The annual meeting of the members of Hope Federal Savings and Loan Association, Hope, Arkansas, will be held at the office of the Association at 209 South Main Street, Hope, Arkansas, at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 15, 1969. Meeting is for the purpose of electing one director and for the transaction of any other business that may properly be considered by the members.

FRED O. ELLIS, PRESIDENT
HOPE FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION
By FRED O. ELLIS,
President
Dec. 31, 1968, Jan. 7, 1969

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HEMPSTEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS

ROBERT D. HORNE, Plaintiff vs. WANDA MARIE HORNE No. 9426, Defendant.

WARNING ORDER

The defendant, Wanda Marie Horne, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days and answer the Complaint of the plaintiff.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this court on this, the 6th day of December, 1968.

JIM COLE
CLERK OF THE CHANCERY COURT OF HEMPSTEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS
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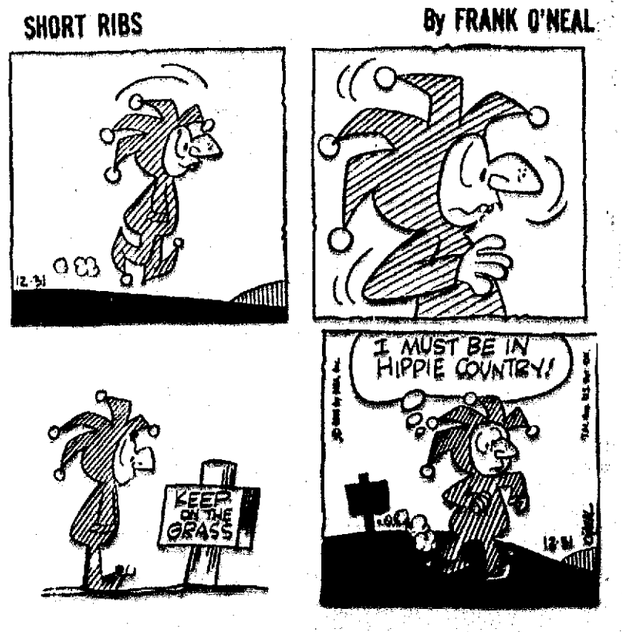
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The Family of Bert Cornelius wishes to convey our love and appreciation to all friends, relatives and hospital staff that were so helpful and comforting during the illness and loss of our dearest loved one. Many thanks also for all the food and flowers that were sent. May God bless each and every one of you.

Mrs. Vera Cornelius and Children
Frances Dodson, Neal Cornelius and Berteen Childs.

SHORT RIBS By FRANK O'NEAL



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"The party's been called off? You mean I got all zipped up for nothing?"

CARNIVAL — By DICK TURNER

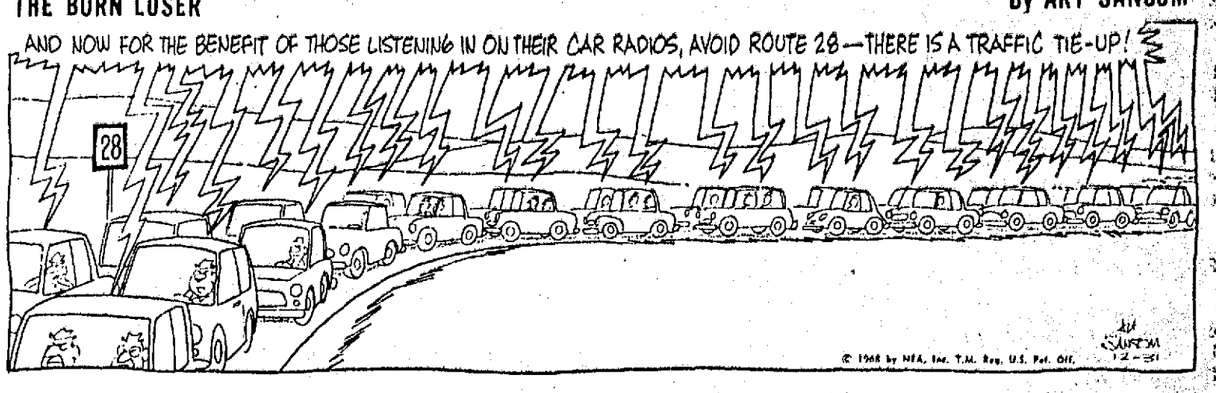


"She'll be right down . . . she's shaving!"

FLASH GORDON — By DAN BARRY



THE BORN LOSER — By ART SANSOM



OUT OUR WAY — By NEG COCHRAN



QUICK QUIZ

Q—What element is used as a standard to give atomic weights to all the other elements?

A—Carbon-12 was adopted in 1961, replacing oxygen.

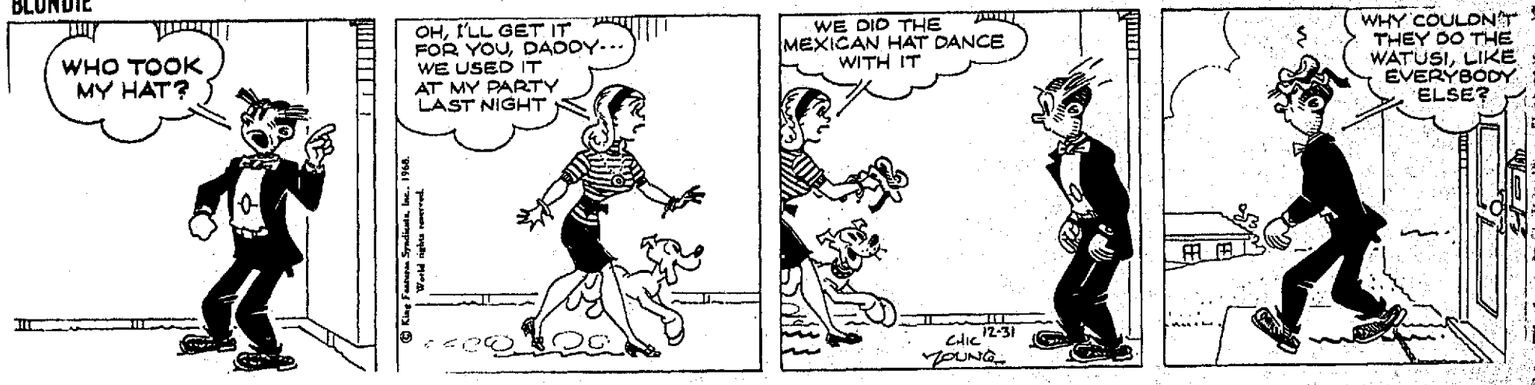
Q—Into how many official languages are U.N. proceedings translated?

A—Five—Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish.

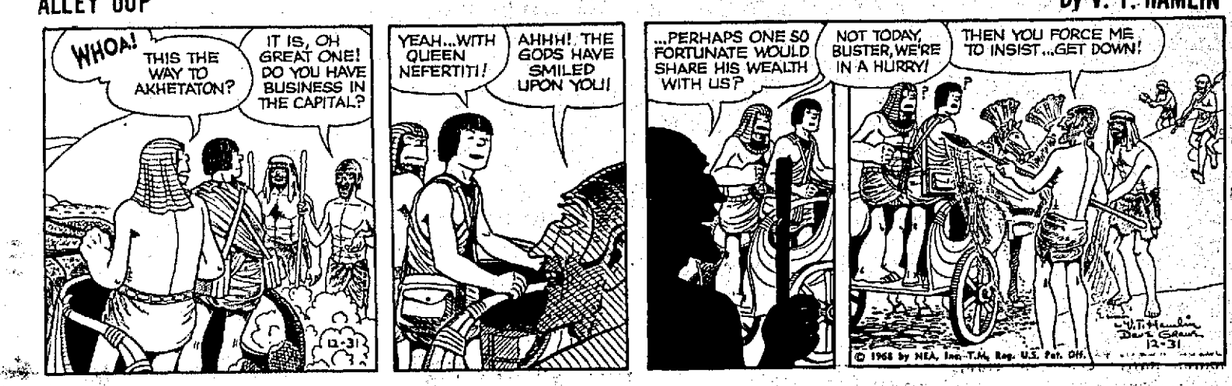
Q—What branch of the U.S. government has the power to collect taxes, coin money and declare war?

A—Congress.

BLONDIE — By CHIC YOUNG



ALLEY OOP — By V. T. HAMLIN



TIZZY — by Kate Osann

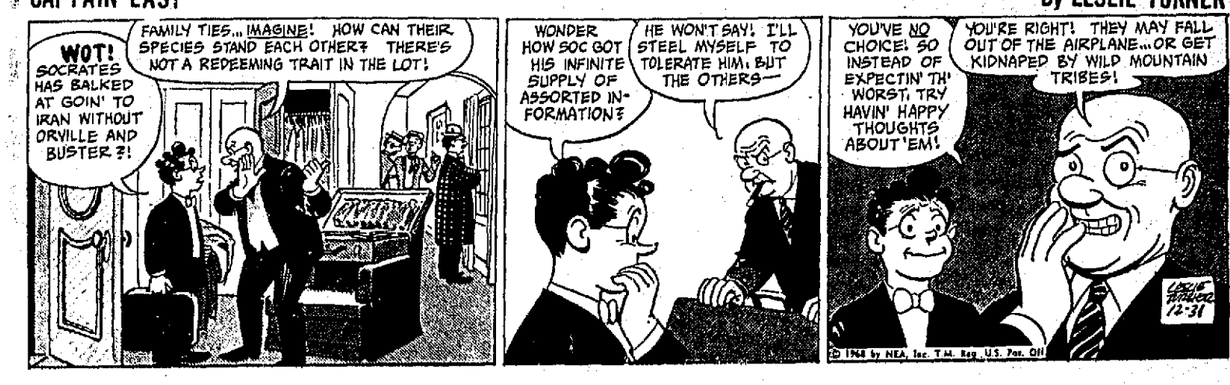


"It's not snacks that spoil my appetite—it's weighing myself!"

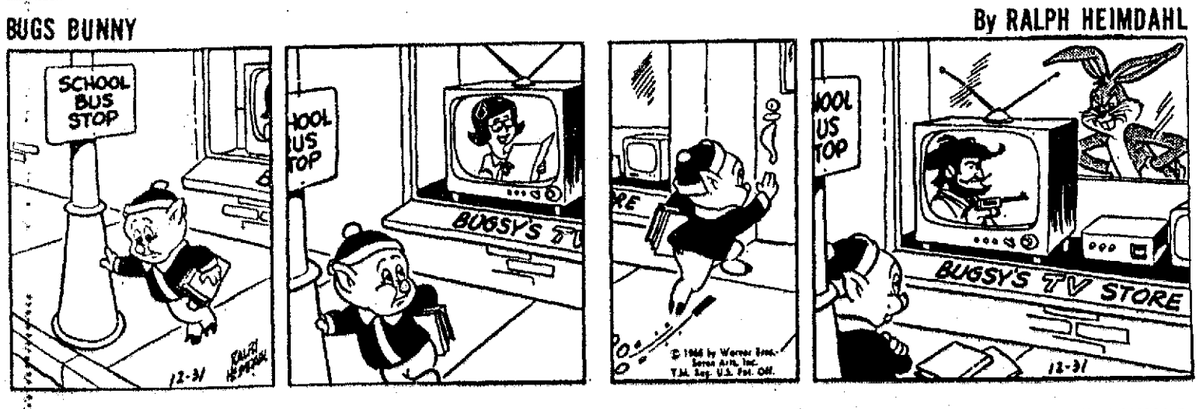
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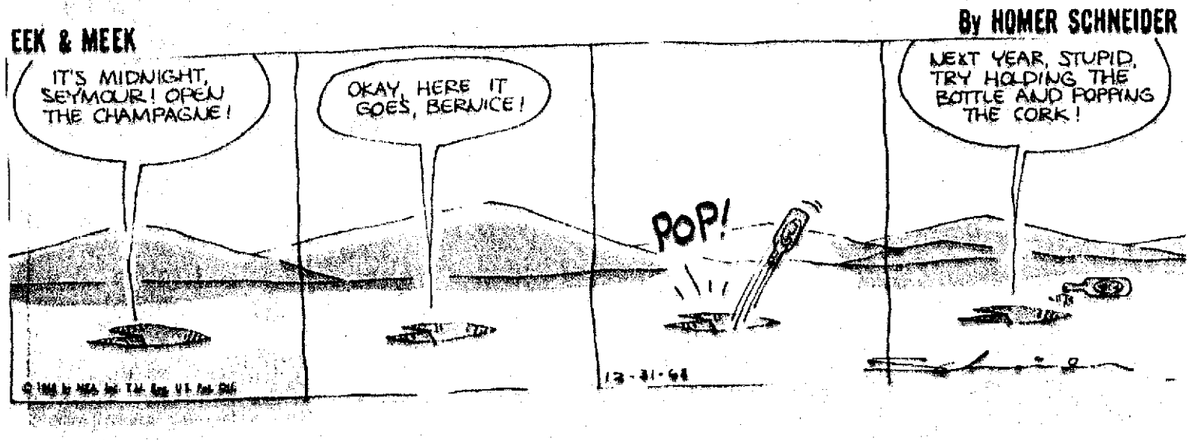


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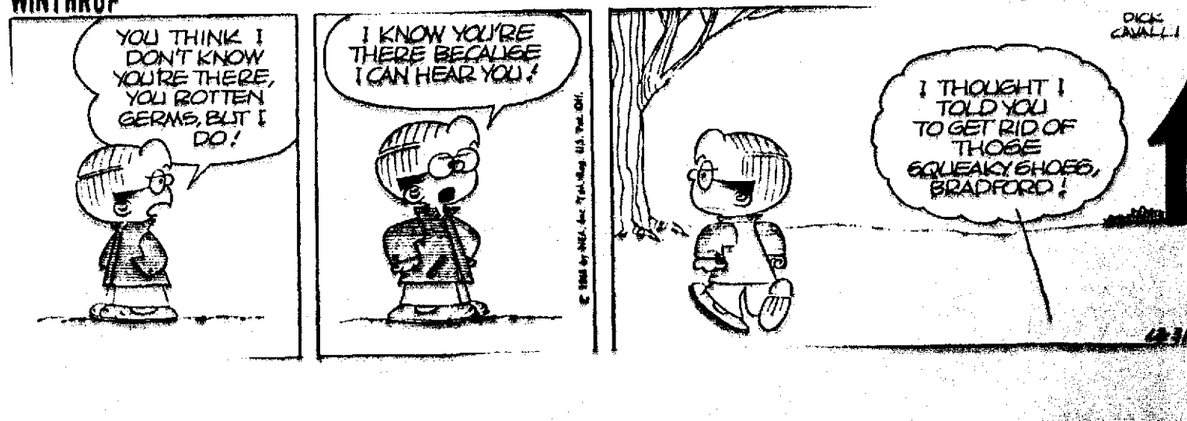
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Ferre New Leader of Puerto Rico

By GREGORY NOKES
Associated Press Writer

SAN JUAN, P.R., (AP)— The Puerto Rican businessman shook his head at the disorder in San Juan's airport terminal and said, "Ferre will fix this."

He himself didn't know how an overnight solution could be found to the problems that result when tens of thousands of travelers make demands on facilities built for much smaller crowds. But like many other Puerto Ricans he has faith that Luis A. Ferre will find the answers to the island's many pressing problems when he becomes governor Thursday.

Despite an industrial growth rate of 10 per cent a year and the highest standard of living in Spanish-speaking Latin America, the island's unemployment rate is about 12 per cent. About one-third of San Juan's population lives in substandard housing. Agriculture is in a depressed state.

Ferre and his new progressive party were the victors in a stunning upset over the Popular Democratic party of Luis Munoz Marin, which had held uninterrupted political power since the early 1940s.

There is reason to believe that Ferre did not expect to win in 1968, but was actually setting the stage for 1972.

"The people wanted a change," Ferre said later. "The Puerto Rican people don't want political leaders who feel they are going to be in charge until they die."

Ferre made a lot of promises during the campaign, and some expect he cannot deliver, especially on potentially expensive projects, such as subsidies for island agricultural workers, slum rehabilitation projects, and a complex program to fight drug addiction.

But his supporters believe Ferre will bring to government some of the same success that has made the family owned Ferre Enterprises the largest and most successful industrial enterprise on the island.

The assets of this family complex, which is active in cement, steel, paper and communications, were estimated during the campaign at $160 million. Ferre said his own assets are about $5.5 million, plus $5 billion that he had turned over to his foundation. He has carried out a campaign promise to withdraw from participation in the Ferre Enterprises. For example, a new corporation was formed to take over operation of his newspaper, El Dia.

At 64, Ferre seemingly has endless energy. He was a fencing champion in college and still works out in his sport. He dresses simply but immaculately, and his hair is gray at the sides.

U.S. Blood Banks Near Record Low

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The nation's blood banks are at an unusually low level even for the normally low holiday season, and some officials are suggesting postponement of elective surgery in the nation's hospitals, a survey disclosed Monday.

The Hong Kong flu and other respiratory diseases and bad weather are given as reasons— along with the usual holiday preoccupation with other matters— for the exceptionally low number of blood donors.

A spokesman for the Greater New York Blood Program, which issued one of the pleas that surgery be limited to emergency situations, said blood collection is now a national problem.

He said emergency calls for blood are going across state lines but most blood centers are experiencing their own shortages. One such call, he said, was from Philadelphia for 85 pints of blood—a request met by a collection center in Alabama.

Dr. Aaron Josephson, medical director of the Mid America Red Cross Blood Center, said his center has confirmed with 53 other centers throughout the country that the shortage is nationwide.

Urging that blood donations be made to the nearest Red Cross center or hospita, Dr. Josepnson also broadcast an appeal for postponement of all but emergency surgery.

He said a catastrophe, such as an airliner crash, could severely strain the nation's supply of blood for transfusions.

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Peace cannot be kept by force. It can only be achieved by understanding. —Albert Einstein.

Solunar Tables

The schedule of Solunar Periods, as printed below, has been taken from Richard Alden Knight's SOLUNAR TABLES. Plan your days so that you will be fishing in good territory or hunting in good cover during these times, if you wish to find the best sport that each day has to offer.

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Dec. 31	Tuesday	1:25	8:25	4:40	8:50
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Jan. 1	Wednesday	3:05	9:00	4:55	9:50
Jan. 2	Thursday	4:05	9:55	5:30	10:15
Jan. 3	Friday	4:30	10:40	6:00	11:05
Jan. 4	Saturday	5:20	11:35	6:30	11:55
Jan. 5	Sunday	6:15	--	7:15	12:25

Weather

Experiment Station report for 24 hours ending at 7 a.m. Tuesday; High 54; Low 24; Precipitation .07 inch.

ARKANSAS—Cold wave south half tonight. Fair and much colder over the south half tonight with cold wave conditions by Wednesday morning. Low tonight 8-16 south half. Continued very cold north half tonight with the low zero to 8 above. Fair and cold Wednesday with the high mostly in the 20s.

Weather Elsewhere

The Weather Elsewhere
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

	High	Low
Albany, cloudy	27	9
Albuquerque, clear	38	17
Atlanta, rain	54	M
Bismarck, clear	-11	-24
Boise, snow	26	15
Boston, cloudy q	30	21
Buffalo, cloudy	30	21
Chicago, clear	34	-8
Cincinnati, cloudy	43	35
Cleveland, cloudy	34	32
Denver, clear	33	-6
Des Moines, clear	19	-15
Detroit, cloudy	31	29
Fairbanks, cloudy	-42	-52
Fort Worth, cloudy	59	16
Helena, cloudy	-15	-34
Honolulu, cloudy	78	64
Indianapolis, cloudy	38	15
Jacksonville, cloudy	66	52
Juneau, clear	9	-11
Kansas City, clear	26	-7
Los Angeles, clear	74	54
Louisville, cloudy	50	37
Memphis, cloudy	58	3
Miami, clear	75	72
Milwaukee, clear	33	-11
Mpls.-St. P., clear	10	-17
New Orleans, rain	71	59
New York, cloudy	36	31
Okla. City, clear	33	1
Omaha, clear	4	-19
Philadelphia, cloudy	36	23
Phoenix, clear	61	36
Pittsburgh, cloudy	34	3
Ptlnd, Me., cloudy	28	10
Ptlnd, Ore., cloudy	14	9
Rapid City, clear	-5	-18
Richmond, cloudy	40	33
St. Louis, cloudy h	37	4
Salt Lk. City, cloudy	27	16
San Diego, clear	72	43
San Fran., cloudy	52	46
Seattle, snow	18	12
Tampa, cloudy	73	60
Washington, cloudy	39	31
Winnipeg, cloudy	-16	-24

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two Americans and seven South Vietnamese were wounded.

The U.S. Command reported one clash between American and enemy forces about 25 miles north of Saigon in which 13 enemy and cone American were killed.

U.S. headquarters said North Vietnamese troops in bunkers in the Southern half of the demilitarized zone fired on a small U.S. observation plane Monday. Marine fighterbombers attacked the bunkers, destroying six of them and touching off a secondary explosion that indid cated hits on ammunition stores, a spokesman said. He said enemy losses were not known, there were no American casualties, and none of the planes was hit.

U.S. Marine patrols also found two enemy bases, just below the DMZ near the Marine outpost called "The Rockpile" and below Da Nang, more than 100 miles to the south. The Marines seized 45 rifles, 490 mortar rounds, more than 2,300 mortar fuses and 4,300 rounds of small arms and machine - gun ammunition.

Election Probe Body Disbanded

By PETE YOUNG
Associated Press Writer

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — John Haley, a Little Rock attorney, says the Election Research Council that recently spurred an investigation by the Arkansas Legislative Council is defunct.

Haley, who is chairman of the state Board of Correction, told Rep. Talbot Feild Jr., chairman of the ALC in a letter that the research council was "conceived and organized and directed by me."

The Legislative Council adopted a resolution Nov. 8 asking, among other things, who were the election council members, who financed it and did it still function.

Other resolution questions were whether the council investigated the delay in vote tabulations in Sebastian County two years ago and this year in the general elections and why the council was no longer active.

Haley said the council was formed in May of 1964. It had no members, he said, only a board of directors, who included: Haley, chairman, Field Wasson of Siloam Springs, Don Clark of Arkadelphia (deceased), Sen. Sam Levine of Pine Bluff (Deceased), Mrs. E. E. Elkings of Fort Smith, Rev. Sam Allen of Little Rock, Robert Fisher of Crossett and Mrs. Dorothy Stuck of Marked Tree.

He said Mrs. Elkins resigned two years ago when Haley took a stand in favor of the Votamatic machine.

Various executive secretaries included: Kenneth Danforth, now with Time Inc. in Washington, Tom Glaze, now an assistant Attorney General and former state Rep. Nathan Schoenfeld.

Other workers for the council included Charles Portis, author, and Charles Matthews of North Little Rock, a former state representative and now chairman of the state Democratic Party.

"We have had more than 200 contributors including civic clubs, businesses, insurance companies and others," Haley said. "We solicited contributions from both (former Gov.) Orval Faubus and (Gov.) Winthrop Rockefeller. We did receive contributions from the Rockefeller family of about $18,000."

"Our total expenditures were between $50,000 and $60,000 over the years of operation," Haley said.

"The election research council, for practical purposes, has not functioned since the fall of 1966," Haley said in answer to why the council did not investigate vote tally delays in Sebastian County.

He said the council devoted its major efforts in 1964 to the investigation of voting frauds, which he said was culminated in a report to be given the the Legislative Council.

Haley said in an interview that the council discovered one post office box where several hundred were reportedly registered. In Phillips County, he said, a Negro beauty operator was responsible for voting several hundred persons by absentee on the pretense of helping to avoid corwded conditions election day at the polls.

"In 1966 our major efforts were along the lines of voter education and orientation of judges and clerks," he said. "This was done through weekly columns and cartoons, printed instructions for judges and clerks and conducting seminars for judges and clerks."

"I am not aware of any election frauds in 1966 that would constitute a criminal violation in either Conway or Faulkner Counties except for the absentee problem mentioned," Haley said.

The council became defunct, he said, because he couldn't find another person willing to make the time sacrifice required to keep the council going as he had done. The council also progressed to the point where lasting "improvement in election could be made only through new legislation," he said.

Haley said he plans to introduce in the next few days to the council a new election code to be offered for legislation.

INDIA TO SEND SUPPLIES

NEW DELHI (AP) India has arranged to send rupees 10,000 ($1,333) of medicine and milk powder through the Red Cross to South Vietnam to help civilian victims of Viet Cong attacks, a government spokesman told Parliament

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fines to five years at hard labor in one instance." It did not list any names.

The thefts were accomplished, the GAO report said, principally through bribery of U.S. personnel and forgery of receipts— many of them made out to military units that didn't exist.

"It seems clear that the responsible officials acted imprudently" in failing to verify that the fuel was received, said the report, which added:

"The theft of fuel, so far as has been detected, was perpetrated primarily by collusion and forgery; it is possible, therefore, that a more sophisticated system (of verifying delivery), properly implemented, may not have detected such irregularities."

Nonetheless, the GAO recommended that the Pentagon tighten up procedures which the report said "were weak, deficient and did not adequately protect the government's interest." Some steps for better monitoring of the supply network have been taken by military authorities, the report said, but it added that "improved procedures and practices are still required."

The stolen fuel was part of $42 million worth of petroleum products ordered by the Navy Fuel Supply Office from three major oil companies—Asiatic Petroleum Corp., an affiliate of Shell Oil Co.; Esso International Inc., and Caltex Oil Ltd., all of New York— for use in Thailand during 1967.

Proxmire requested the GAO probe last March after John McGee, a civilian employe of the Navy, wrote him from Bangkok that slipshod controls allowed illegal operations to flourish in the distribution of gasoline and other products through Thai service stations and in the shipment of fuel directly to U.S. installations.

The GAO confirmed McGee's charges. It found that contents of hundreds of tank trucks had vanished, and that large-scale thefts of products at service stations had gone unnoticed for months.

To illustrate the widespread nature of the thefts, the report cited spot checks which showed that in one 10-month period, 52 per cent of all gasoline stored in Thai service stations for use by U.S. military vehicles was stolen. It disclosed, too, that 40 per cent of all diesel fuel shipped to one air base in 1967 never arrived.

GAO investigators said the Army's 9th Logistics Command, responsible for overseeing distribution of fuel from service stations operated by Shell Company of Thailand, Ltd., did not enforce its own regulations.

"It seems," their report said, "that during the period when theft of the fuel was widespread nobody was assigned to discharge the responsibility for monitoring fuel supply."

The military's Sub-Area Petroleum Office in Thailand— next step up in the complex supply system— also failed to verify delivery of fuel to U.S. vehicles, the report said.

The GAO said the Navy fuel office in Bangkok did certify that the fuel had been delivered, although it had no "responsibility to make this verification." Furthermore, said the report, the Navy office verified delivery "without contacting the receiving activities to confirm actual receipt."

From January to October 1967, investigators said, "We estimate that over 590,500 gallons or about 52 per cent of the approximately 1,128,700 gallons said to have been supplied by the service stations to U.S. vehicles, was stolen."

The thefts were accomplished, the report said, by:

— Use of fictitious names of military units.

— Use of false vehicle numbers.

— Use of identification numbers of vehicles which had been junked or were no longer used.

— Falsification of delivery receipts showing "excessive and unrealistic" filling of the same vehicle, in most cases with more gasoline than the vehicle's tanks could possibly hold.

In one case, said the GAO, military authorities found that 371,000 gallons was stolen by use of the name "COMM, U.S. Air Force" on receipts. No such unit or designation exists, the report said.

"Our investigation indicated that further unidentified thefts of fuel (from service stations) may have occurred and that the full extent of the losses is unknown," the GAO said.

In reporting on the theft of entire truckloads of aviation and other fuels earmarked for direct delivery to U.S. installations, the GAO report said again that more thefts may have occurred, and repeated that the full extent of losses was not known.

The report said, however, that authorities established that at least 378 truckloads— or 1.2 million gallons— had been stolen.

As in the service station thefts, the report said, the Navy Fuel Supply Office in Bangkok certified vouchers for the payment of contractors without determining whether the fuel had actually been received.

The "material inspection and receiving reports" contained a statement that the office had corrdinated the above shipment information with the receiving activity and signs below on their behalf," the GAO said.

But the agency said the official who signed the reports told their investigators in an interview that "he did not compare or check delivery receipts . . . He said that the volume . . . and pressure of his workload would not permit his doing this on a systematic basis."

While thefts at service stations were committed mainly through forgery, the GAO said it could not learn if this was done by individual drivers, by service station attendants, or by "an organized group". The Pentagon said "a number of Thai truck drivers have been discharged and debarred from Air Force bases."

The investigators reported they were unable to obtain from the 9th logistics command information detailing the unit's inspection procedures. They said they were told that the officer responsible for supply control during 1967 had left Thailand and that important supply records were not available for their review.

But officers and drivers contacted by the investigators invariably told them, the report said, "that, as far as they knew, there was no instruction, prior to October 1967, providing for essential monitoring elements. . ."

"One of these individuals told us he threw away the delivery receipts he received when he obtained fuel from the service stations . . ." the report said.

"Another individual we interviewed said he had no document to show how much product has been received into the military vehicles for which he was responsible; that he had never seen a delivery receipt, and that he had no idea what the drivers did with the copies of the receipts they received."

Kennedy's Challenge Discounted

By JACK BELL
AP Political Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Supporters of Edward M. Kennedy privately give him little chance of winning the No. 2 Senate Democratic post in a bid that apparently is a first step toward a possible 1972 run for the White House.

But win or lose in the challenge he issued Monday, the 36-year-old senator from Massachusetts seems likely to shed at least partially his role as a follower of the leadership team and emerge as a new leader for Senate liberals.

Politicians generally thought this was one of Kennedy's objectives in seeking the job of whip or assistant leader now held by Louisiana's Russell B. Long who wants to keep it.

Although a usually thankless job that mainly involves rounding up colleagues for roll calls, the assistant leader has tradid tionally stepped up when the top post became vacant and has helped such previous whips as Hubert H. Humphrey and Lyndon B. Johnson.

Kennedy said he has the support of Vice President Humphrey and of Humphrey's running mate in the Nov. 5 election, Sen. Edmund Muskie of Maine.

His candidacy also won a quick pledge of support from Sen. Philip A. Hart of Michigan who earlier pressed Muskie to get into the race.

The test for Kennedy will come at a closed meeting of all Senate Democrats Friday. Long goes into the meeting with almost solid support of Southern Colleagues and an unwillingness on the part of some Northerners to dump him.

Long said from his Baton Rouge home that "super liberals" were behind the move, but "I have to admit they picked a good opponent. Frankly, I think I have enough votes to win."

In an earlier statement issued by his office in Washington, Long said that he welcomes Kennedy's challenge "in good humor." He insisted that, win or lose, the contest would not impair his friendship for Kennedy.

The Louisiana senator said he and Kennedy had differed in the past on matters of importance, but "such differences have left no lasting mark on our friendship or our respect for each other."

Long aides said they believe he has the support of at least 30 of the 57 Democrats.

A White House spokesman said President Johnson, in Texas for the New Year's holiday, would have no comment on Kennedy's bid.

Kennedy, first elected in 1962, pitched his bid on what he said is the obligation of congressional Democrats, with a Republican in the White House, "to present the best possible programs in keeping with our historic role as the party of progress and change in the United States."

He thus laid the grounds for a fight by the Senate's Democratic liberals against their more conservative colleagues for a voice in party councils the Massachusetts senator said must produce the Democratic political leadership in the next four years.

One of Kennedy's claims was that he could help Majority Leader Mike Mansfield of Montana more than Long, since Long must divide his time as chairman of the powerful Senate Finance Committee.

Of Kennedy's chief sponsors, Humphrey will have no vote in the party caucus and Muskie already had rejected efforts to get him into the race against Long.

Muskie, who made a favorad ble impression on many Democrats in the presidential campaign, has made it known he wants to be free to "speak out on major issues outside the senate to a national constituency," as one of his aides put it.

While the whip duties might restrict Kennedy on this score, Mansfield has named several assistants to fill in when the whip is busy elsewhere.

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whether the proposed tax on cocktails was a new tax or an increase in existing liquor taxes.

Cockrill ruled that the proposed tax on mixed drinks was a new tax and no one raised the question whether the bills would require two-thirds majority because they amended an initiated act.

However, the Jaycees raised the question this year on the initiated act aspect. Hugh Pollard, Jaycee president, said Sunday that as he understood it, anything involving local option election changes requires two-thirds majority.

Pollard said, however, it was remotely possible that the Jaycee legislation, being prepared by the Arkansas Legislative Council to Jaycee specifications, may require only a simple majority, depending on the interpretation of its local option provisions.

Neither Pollard nor Eisele saw any clash of interest between the two proposals.

The governor's aide said he thought the Jaycees had a good idea with their proposal in that they are "thinking constructively" about the state's liquor law problem.

Eisele acknowledged that the administration proposal was a more narrow approach to mixed drink legislation while the Jaycee proposal goes beyond the administrations proposal.

"They might compliment each other very nicely," Eisele said. "Each could exist without the other, but on the other hand you could put them together."

"The bills are remarkably similar," Pollard said. "If their's passes, thats great. The great concern is that a good bill passes. Most people have resigned to the fact that some kind of (mixed drink) legislation is going to pass."

"There is absolutely no competition between the two bills," Pollard said. "The administration bill concerns mixed drinks. Our bill concerns the broad questions raised by our liquor laws."

The Negro Community

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Live as with God; and whatever your calling, pray for the gift that will perfectly qualify you in it. Horace Bushnell said it.

COMING & GOING

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pickens, Jr., and children Kenneth, Jerry, and Patricia Ann Pickens of Saint Augustine, Texas, and J. T. Smith of Hope were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flenory Friday night December 27th.

On Sunday December 29th, the Flenorys had as guests Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Ray Davis of San Diego, California and Mrs. Emma Pearson of Hope.

Mrs. Janet Barnes McCoy and daughter have returned to their home in Chicago, Illinois after spending the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Laura Powell and grandmother, Mrs. Birdie Powell.

Mr. and Mrs. James Scarise of St. Louis, Missouri and Miss Shirley Ann Flenory of Little Rock, Arkansas were dinner guests in the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flenory on Sunday, December 29 th.

T.W. McCollum has returned to his home in Peoria, Illinois after spending the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Ellen McCollum.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bearner had as holiday guests their children, Misses Annette, Joyce, Carolyn and daughter Rosalind, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Bryant and children Stephanie, Stacy, and Mr. Bryant's twin brother, J.M. Bryant, all of Wichita, Kansas. They were accompanied by Miss Marilyn Gulkie.

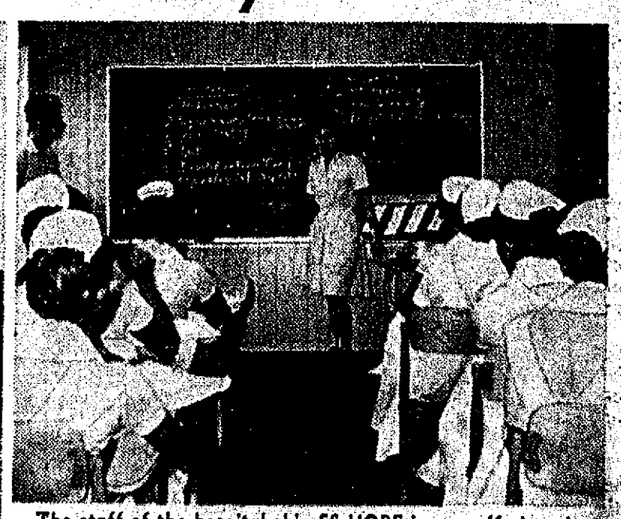
PERSONAL MENTION

Friends of James Anthony Barnes will regret to know that he was involved in an automobile accident on December 29th in San Francisco, California.

He is reported to be improving. Cards may be sent to him at: 2039 Ellis Street, or to San Francisco General Hospital.

HOPE Comes to Ceylon





The staff of the hospital ship SS HOPE is now offering the people of Ceylon a wide variety of medical educational exchange programs. In the hospitals and elsewhere throughout the island nation, the medical professionals of Ceylon and those of HOPE are working hand-in-hand to help make the life of the people healthier and happier. Teaching is HOPE's primary purpose.



Dr. Robert Nixon of Detroit, Mich., examines a patient aboard the SS HOPE. Dr. Nixon, a veteran of two previous HOPE voyages, is one of 160 U.S. physicians, surgeons and dentists who will volunteer two months of their time to serve in Ceylon.



Barbara Kushwara, right, operating room nurse from Frankville, Pa., checks the day's schedule with her Ceylonese counterpart aboard the hospital ship. Miss Kushwara is one of the 130 full-time staff members on the voyage this year.



Jubilant youngster is one of thousands to receive fresh milk as part of Project HOPE's demonstration program in nutrition.

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Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor
Alex. H. Washburn

The New Year: Both a Challenge and a Reward

New Year's Eve reminds me of the legendary origin of the word "bankrupt." The dictionary merely reports it is derived from the French and Latin words meaning "broken bank." But Americans like to remember its Chinese application.

In Old China the beginning of the new year was a time for the settling of accounts. Merchants did business over benches, and when it was discovered that a storekeeper couldn't pay off his debts the neighbors came in and broke up his benches. Hence the Chinese interpretation of bankruptcy as "broken benches."

The dictionary is probably right, but I like the old China legend.

None of this has much to do with the advent of 1969 in our United States. Our people are very far from personal bankruptcy—the government not so far. Private citizens feel flush, riding the high tide of an inflation that has run ever since the end of World War 11. But the federal government, with profligate spending and a steady rise in debt, finds itself in trouble.

The great hope in 1969 is that the Nixon administration which the American people voted into power in November will live up to its promises, dampening government spending, stopping the rise in prices, and restoring stability to the American way of life.

It was something we looked for in the first Eisenhower administration—but in vain, as spending went on and the government ran up a new high in deficits.

Now it is Richard Nixon's hour. If he makes good, O.K. If he doesn't we are in for real trouble. A Nixon failure would mean in all probability not a return to the discredited national Democratic party but the rise of a third major party having a conservative bent.

We could have some rocky moments in 1969 if real spending cuts are enforced, but wholesale depression such as this editor saw in 1929 - 33 is unlikely. The built-up reserves of Social Security are a strong wall against depression, something you know about because on Jan. 1 the SS tax goes to 4.8 per cent — up from the previous rate of 4.4, and only .2 short of the 5 per cent maximum tax.

The Social Security bulwark is strong, however, only if the government is able to meet payments due the pensioners without levying additional taxes which would cut the value of the pensions.

Continued prodigal spending and rising debt do threaten Social Security — which is why it is vitally important that Nixon and the Democratic Congress co-operate in establishing a more conservative trend in government as we enter the new year 1969.

Inauguration Threatened by Riot Plan

By STERLING F. GREEN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The same group that sponsored anti-war demonstrations during the Democratic National Convention in Chicago says it will stage three days of "counter-inaugural" protests during Richard M. Nixon's inauguration festivities.

The National Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam is organizing the demonstration and seeking parade and rally permits to accommodate as many as 10,000 persons.

But "there is no plan for civil disobedience," said Mobilization Coordinator Rennie Davis. The 28-year-old Davis, advance man for the committee here as he was in Chicago, told an interviewer:

"We do not intend in any way to disrupt any official ceremonies or inauguration activities.

"We are very clear about not wanting any physical confrontation with police."

The Chicago protests resulted in bloody street fighting between police and demonstrators.

The Mobilization's plans call for a "Counter-Inaugural Parade" on Sunday, Jan. 19, the day before the inauguration. The demonstrators want to march with banners down the Nixon parade route in reverse, from the White House to the Capitol.

A "Counter-Inaugural Ball" also is planned. The Mobilization hopes to stage a rally on a section of the Ellipse, and to set up sound equipment.

On Inauguration day the demonstrators want an area of a block or so designated for them on the parade route—enough for an estimated 5,000 to 10,000 protesters with placards and banners. Negotiations for permits have began with various federal agencies and District of Columbia offices. These apparently are still in the sparring stage.

When asked whether the Mobilization expected to find Washington authorities more amenable to such requests than Mayor Richard J. Daley's administration in Chicago, Davis replied:

"Well, I'm sure that the last thing Mr. Nixon wants on the day of his inauguration is another Chicago."

Heading the whole operation from Mobilization's office in New York is David Dellinger, 52, a leader in organizing the march on the Pentagon Oct. 21, 1967, as well as the Chicago demonstrations.

U.S. Officer, Prisoner for 5 Years, Rescued by S. Vietnam Forces

By GEORGE ESPER
Associat Press Writer

SAIGON (AP) — South Vietnamese army troop sweeping a thick jungle in the Mekong Delta today freed a U.S. Army officer who had been a prisoner of the Viet Cong for mor than five years.

A U.S. spokesman said the American, a first lieutenant in the Special Forces, was in "satisfactory" condition despite his long captivity. But he was reported emaciated and tired.

A South Vietnamese army officer was reported freed at the same time, and both were flown to hospitals.

The American's identith was withheld until his next of kin are notified.

The U.S. Command said a patrol from the South Vietnamese 21st Division freed the American officer shortly after noon today. He was found in a camp in the wild, marshy U Minh forest about 150 miles southwest of Saigon.

The U Minh forest has long been a Viet Cong stronghold, and allied troops seldom penetrate it. There was no indication whether the South Vietnamese sweep had encountered any resistance.

The American lieutenant reportedly was captured in 1963 while serving as an adviser at a remote camp in the Mekong Delta south of Saigon.

Since American involvement in the war began in January 1961, only a handful of American prisoners have been rescued from Viet Cong camps. The U.S. Command does not know how many Americans may be held in jungle camps.

The Viet Cong has released a few American prisoners and offered before Christmas to release three enlisted men it captured within the past eight months. A team of U.S. negotiators was unable to arrange the release in a meeting Christmas Day with Viet Cong representatives, and another meeting is scheduled New Year's morning.

Little fighting was reported today, the second day of the Viet Cong's New Year's ceasefire, although U.S. and South Vietnamese forces were patrolling as vigorously as ever.

U.S. headquarters reported that two American helicopters were shot down by enemy ground fire Monday several hours after the Viet Cong cease-fire began. Both helicopters were destroyed, and two Americans were wounded. The losses raised to 970 the announced number of American helicopters shot down in South Vietnam.

A South Vietnamese military spokesman said the Viet Cong had shelled several government installations in 10 violations of its self-proclaimed cease-fire which began at 1 a.m. Monday. He said three persons, including one American, were killed, and

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Liquor Issue Is Stymied by Vote Law

By PETE YOUNG
Associated Press Writer

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — The single issue that may have to be resolved before either of two pieces of major liquor legislation can be introduced in the 1969 General Assembly is how much of a majority each requires to pass.

Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller contends that his mixed drink legislation, which features local option, strong law enforcement and large revenue production, requires a simple majority to pass both houses of the legislature.

Legislation being offered by the Little Rock Junior Chamber of Commerce calls for blanket revision of the state's liquor laws, and changes an initiated act—thus, requiring two-thirds majority in both houses for passage.

However, many legislators believe the administration's proposal with its revenue production clause constitutes an increase of existing taxes—which requires a three-fourths majority to pass.

G. Thomas Eisele, Rockefeller's legal adviser, said Saturday the administration proposal would parallel identical mixed drinks bills that failed in each house in the 1967 legislature.

Before the vote, House Speaker Sterling R. Cockrill Jr. of Little Rock said the only issue raised in the house about the 1967 mixed drink bill was

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S.S. Tax Rate Up; Now Is 4.8 Pct.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Wage earners will feel an increase in Social Security taxes and owners of many aparentments and homes will have to begin abiding by the Open Housing law as the new year arrives Wednesday.

The Social Security tax rate goes up from 4.4 per cent to 4.8 per cent on the first $7,800 of annual earnings. For people earning the maximum, that's an increase of about $33 a year.

A year ago, many people found their paychecks smaller when the maximum taxable salary was raised to the present level from $6,600.

sEach employe's contribution has to be matched by his employer.

By 1987, the tax rate will climb from the present 4.4 per cent to 5.9 per cent.

The law banning racial discrimination in housing, passed by Congress this year, extends Jan. 1 to most apartment units and all new single-family homes in subdivisions or developments.

Until nown the law has applied to such housing only if it were financed by mortgages backed by the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) or the Veterans Administration (Va).

Beginning Jan. 1, the law will apply to all housing with the exception of single-family homes sold without the aid of a real estate broker.

Navigation Begins on Arkansas

ARKANSAS POST, Ark. (AP) Two barges loaded with steel and bound for the Port of Little Rock moved through the first two locks and dams on the Arkansas River today on the first voyage opening navigation on the river.

Col. Charles L. Steel, the Little Rock district engineer of the Army Corps of Engineers, said the barges left Lock and Dam No. 1 at the Arkansas Post Canal at 8:35 a.m. and departed from Lock and Dam No. 2 three miles further upstream at 9:31 a.m.

Steel said the barges, being towed by "The Arkansas Traveler," were scheduled to arrive at Lock and Dam No. e near Grady at 4 p.m. today.

A ceremony has been scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday at the Port of Little Rock to commemorate the arrival of the barges.

Steel had declared a 111-mile stretch of the Arkansas River open to navigation Monday.

The barges left Helena at 3:10 p.m. Monday.

The navigation channel was opened from the Mississippi River upstream to the Port of Little Rock. The stretch includes six locks and dams.

Steel made the announcement after he and several river supporters made a 100-mile inspection tour of the channel Monday in two 30-foot boats.

Casanova, Back From War, Makes Hometown Hearts Full of Love

By PHILIP WECHSLER
Associated Press Writer

SADDLE BROOK, N.J. (AP) — Casanova won the hearts of Marianne Astegher and those of 100 night clerks at the Hackensack Post Office.

For 13 months in Vietnam, Army Sgt. Gordon Casanova of River Edge wrote a letter each day to Marianne, his fiance, and decorated the envelopes with drawings and romantic messages of "I miss you" and "I love you."

Each night the postal clerks looked forward to Casanova's letters and their decorations and made sure they reached Marianne's home here.

The letters also were marked "DTG" with a number, signifying how many "days to go" Casanova had in Vietnam.

The clerks kept close watch of the countdown and when the letters stopped at "DTG 10," they became worried, thinking perhaps something had happened to the romantic soldier.

But their fears were unfounded. The 21-year-old soldier recently returned from the war unharmed.

Last week the postal clerks sent a letter of their own to Marianne, also 21, asking if everything was all right.

"It seems our nightly chore is over," the clerks wrote, "but it leaves us wondering about the eventual outcome. If there is a wedding how would we get to know, which would give us the feeling of a job well done?"

Casanova and Marianne, who met two years ago shortly before he entered the Army, decided the clerks should know of the outcome.

The couple visited the post office and invited the 100 night clerks to their wedding Jan. 11. The clerks accepted.

"We were really thrilled that people cared and went out of their way to be nice," said Casanova, now an administrative assistant in a chemical company.

Why did he decorate the letters?

"To make Marianne happy," he replied. "How much can you do in Vietnam. I always had a couple of hours free time to do it in."

Does Casanova live up to his name?

"As far as I'm concerned, he does," smiled Marianne, an attractive green-eyed blonde, who is a secretary.

And Monday night the couple picked up their marriage license.

No, I'm not going to decorate that," Casanova said.

Theft of War Supplies in Millions

By LAWRENCE L. KNUTSON
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GAYLORD SHAW
Associated Press Writers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bribery, forgery, collusion and government laxity led to massive thefts of aircraft and other fuels intended for vital U.S. military operations in Thailand, federal investigators say in an unpublished report to Sen. William Proxmire.

The report of a 10-man General Accounting Office team reveals that at least 5.5 million gallons of petroleum products were stolen during 1967 in the country, where hundreds of U.S. Air Force bombers and fighter planes employed in the Vietnam war are based.

"The full extent of the financial loss to the government is not known at this time," said the report, explaining that the GAO investigators were unable to determine how many more millions of gallons of fuel had been illegally siphoned from the military supply system.

Proxmire, who requested the GAO investigation, released the report to The Associated Press. He said it disclosed "a shocking failure" by the government to properly police its supply system, and said there should be a further inquiry to determine whether any of the jet fuel, gasoline, diesel fuel and lubricants ended up in Communist hands.

"There could be grounds for action," said the senator. An aide said later that the GAO findings would be sent to the Justice Department for study.

The Defense Department, in a reply attached to the report, said that as a result of an investigation by the Air Force, "action has been taken against U.S. personnel ranging from

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Detroit for Red Light District

DETROIT (AP) — To meet today's federal deadline, the Detroit Common Council approved a $20.5-million Model Cities application Monday, containing a recommendation from a 102-member citizens' committee that prostitution be legalized.

However, city officials said the proposal to establish legitimate red light districts was not part of the recommendations to be implemented in the next five years, if ever.

Sources from the citizens' committee, composed of persons elected in the inner city neighborhoods, said the purpose was to rid the area of organized crime control of prostition and to halt the spread of veneral disease.

Only newly elected Councilman Robert Tindal, who has been executive secretary of the Detroit branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, spoke out for the resolution at Monday's meeting.

Saying he was not sure whether legalizing prostitution was the answer, he added, "These people are grabbing for straws to end the problem. Prostitution does exist and there is a real problem.

"Children in the neighborhood see it everyday, but if you don't live there, you don't know it exists," he added.

The application was approved by a 6-2 vote after councilmen were assured it would not be interpreted as agreeing to legalizing prostitution.

Winter's Coldest Is Due Tonight

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The frigid Artic air mass that plunged temperatures in Arkansas to as low as five degrees early this morning will bring even colder weather to the state tonight, the U.S. Weather Bureau said.

The forecast calls for temperatures ranging from zero in North Arkansas to the mid-teens in South Arkansas tonight.

The northern portions got the full impact of the cold front Monday with the mercury dipping to 5 degrees at Harrison, 6 degrees at Fayetteville and 8 degrees at Gilbert.

However, Monday's forecast of temperatures in the teens for Central Arkansas failed to develop. The overnight low reading for Little Rock was 27 degress.

Temperatures in South Arkansas ranged from 28 degrees at Texarkana to 36 degrees at El Dorado.

The Weather Bureau says temperatures in Central Arkansas tonight will range from 5 to 15 degrees and in South Arkansas from 8 to 16 degrees.

Snow flurries were reported in the northern portions early today but the State Police reported normal road conditions in most of the state. Police said there was some light snow on roads in the Harrison area and some slush on roads in the Fort Smith area early today.

Clearing sky conditions are in the forecast for New Year's Day with maximum temperatures tures reaching the mid 20s.

Lions Xmas Gifts Hit $4,500

The Hope Lions club gave 103 food baskets to Hempstead county families this Christmas. Lion president Bill Cross estimated the value of each basket at $43.

Those families with small children received many toys in addition to food. The Hope Lions club thanks all who contributed merchandise or services for sale and thanks also those persons who bought merchandise.

The Student Council gave nearly $300 to go with the $3,300 raised by the auction. Other contributions made it possible for the Lions to give nearly $4,500 worth of food and merchandise to those 103 Hempstead county families in 1968.

Magnolia Girl State Junior Miss

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — Anne Landes of Magnolia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Landes, Monday night was chosen as the new Arkansas Junior Miss.

Mary Miller of Malvern was first runner-up, Marion Kahm of Little Rock was second, Suzie Kirkpatrick of North Little Rock was third and fourth was Floy Brown of Little Rock.

Rhonda Flemming of Fort Smith won the outstanding talent award. Janice Jones of Monticello and Madeline Thormann of Little Rock tied for the personality award and the leadership trophy went to Mary Miller of Malvern.

Ask Slander Suit Be Rejected

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — The Arkansas Supreme Court was asked today to reject a $10,000 judgement awarded against three Calico Rock school board members in a slander suit.

The judgement was entered last summer in Circuit Court at Little Rock.

The suit was filed by Tom Silvey, Calico Rock school superintendent. The judgment was awarded against Dr. Noel Capp, Ralph Terry and Fred Mason.

Silvey charged in the suit that the three and Capp's wife, Gay, had made libellous and slanderous statements about the way he was operating the school district.

1969's Start May Be Handicapped by 'Shakes' From 1968

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP) — Anyone can celebrate New Year's Eve. In fact, tonight millions will. And many will go at it so determinedly that Wednesday they will wake up with the feebles and the shakes, their heads aching, their stomachs quaking, their mouths tasting of owl feathers—or worse.

They will be in no condition to enjoy the start of 1969. They will still be quivering casualties of 1968.

No, it isn't difficult to celebrate New Year's Eve. The art lies in celebrating it in such a manner that you and your friends survive it in good shape without undergoing too much pain or peril.

How? Well, one way is to throw a new kind of New Year's Eve party, a safe and sane one that will live long in the memory of your grateful guests.

To begin with you send out invitations to your friends, being sure to include all those who are known topers and injury-prone partygoers:

"We're having a celebration at our house to end all New Year's celebrations. It's bound to be the talk of the town. Come and see. From 9 p.m. until you say-when."

When the guests arrive you ladle out large offerings of a health-giving fruit punch laced with sarsaparilla. Being in the mood for merriment, many of the guests will get giggly before it dawns upon them that the fruit punch is really nothing but fruit punch.

Then you hand around mimeographed programs for the evening:

"10-10:30 p.m.—The host and hostess will present home movies of their delightful vacation last summer at Swamproot Lake. These will show the laughable antics of the hostess when stung by a bee on a picturesque hike through the woods.

"10:30-11p.m. — The host and among the guests will lead a spirited discussion on the lasting achievements of Lyndon B. Johnson's administration.

"11-11:30 p.m, — Republicans among the guests will lead an equally lively discussion on why life will be better with Richard M. Nixon at the helm.

"11:30-midnight—Since many guests by now will be a bit exhausted by the combination of fun and mental stimulation, we think this would be a good time for everyone just to stretch out on the floor and have a refreshing nap. Feel free to take off your shoes. Pillows will be provided for all.

"Midnight until you-say-when — After three lusty hurrahs and a liger for the New Year, pocket combs and pieces of tissue paper will be passed among the guests and we'll all just sit around and hum "Auld Lang Syne" and other good old tunes. There is plenty to drink—six gallons of sweet cider—and, if pressed, the host and hostess will be glad to unreel some more of their hilarious home

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Brink Loot Recovered in Part

QUINCY, Mass. (AP) — Virtually everything but the $500,000 in cash taken in Saturday night's armored car robbery in Boston was recovered today in a wooded section of this city south of Boston, police reported.

The find included an undetermined amount in checks, several money boxes and money bags, two suitcases and two trunks, authorities reported.

An estimate $300,000 in checks was taken in the robbery. Most were non-negotiable, officials have said.

The discovery was made by employes of the Metropolitan District Commission's Water Division. An MDC water plant is located nearby.

The find apparently was the first break for investigators since the robbery occurred Saturday night. Detectives announced then that they had recovered a key and a pair of handcuffs used by the bandits, but indicated they yielded few clues.

Two men wearing ski masks used the key to open the truck, which was parked on a North End street in Boston, while two of three men assigned to the vehicle were taking a coffee break nearby.

FBI Reports Foreign Aid to Rioters

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI says there has been an expansion of foreign influence in black extremist groups and that the "violence-prone" Progressive Labor Party has made progress in infiltrating the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS).

FBI director J. Edgar Hoover, in the 1968 annual report of agency activities released today, said foreign influence in black extremist groups "continues to receive close attention."

"The growing number of black extremist organizations throughout the United States represent a potential threat to the internal security of the nation" Hoover's report said, "and their growth has definitely added to the FBI's work in the racial intelligence field."

The report also said what it called the Marxist-Leninist Progressive Labor Party chas concentrated its youth program largely toward infiltration of SDS, which the report said is at the core of the New Left movement in the United States.

In criminal activities, the report said, the FBI set records in 1968 for fugitives located, stolen cars recovered and money saved or recovered by investigations.

Savings and recoveries totaled some $335 million, an increase of $45 mill on over the previous year, the report said.

It said more than 290 hoodlum, gambling and vice figures were convicted during the year compared to 206 in 1967, a total of 21,000 fugitives were located and some 27,000 stolen cars were recovered.

$350,000 Grant for Craft Skill

WASHINGTON (AP) — A $350,000 grant has been approved for the South Central Regional Educational Laboratory in Little Rock, Sen. John L. McClellan, D-Ark., announced Monday.

The funds were approved by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The funds will support a program to develop skills in early childhood for the delta Negro, the disadvantaged white Ozarkian and the off-reservation Indian, said Dr. Floyd Delon, executive director of the laboratory.

Delon said the funds represent about half of the funding received by the laboratory during this year.

Of the laboratory's eight field projects, three are in Arkansas, two in Mississippi and one each in Oklahoma, Missouri and Louisiana.

One of the Arkansas projects is at Prairie Grove

All Around Town

By The Star Staff

Supt. of Schools James H. Jones announced today that all Hope schools will open on regular schedule Thursday, January 2.

David Morris of Hope, son of Mrs. Jesse Morris, has received an Honor Scholarship for the fall semester at Henderson State College. To qualify for an Honor Scholarship, a student must be the top-ranking senior in his high school class or a member of the honor group who has scored in the top 10 percent on the ACT or SCAT or who has an average score above 500 on the CEEB, and has maintained a "B" average in high school. David is a former circulation supervisor for the Star.

Because of the rash of grass fires that plagued the fire department over the weekend, Hope Fire Chief Jim Cobb asked the Star to caution all citizens burning leaves or trash to be sure and stay with the fire until it is completely out and not to burn anything when the wind is high. (Star's note: there were three grass fires Sunday.) Nuff said.

There will be a New Year's Watch Night service tonight beginning at 8 p.m. at First United Pentescostal Church in Hope. The public is invited to come and enjoy the special singing and preaching. The pastor is Rev. Lane.

Henderson State's annual high school invitational basketball tournament will open in Arkadelphia on Jan. 6 with 32 entries. Hope will take on N. Little Rock Oak Grove in a first round game in the Class A Division.